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ON THE SCAFFOLD
OF DOOM BUT HE
WOULDN'T SAY DIE

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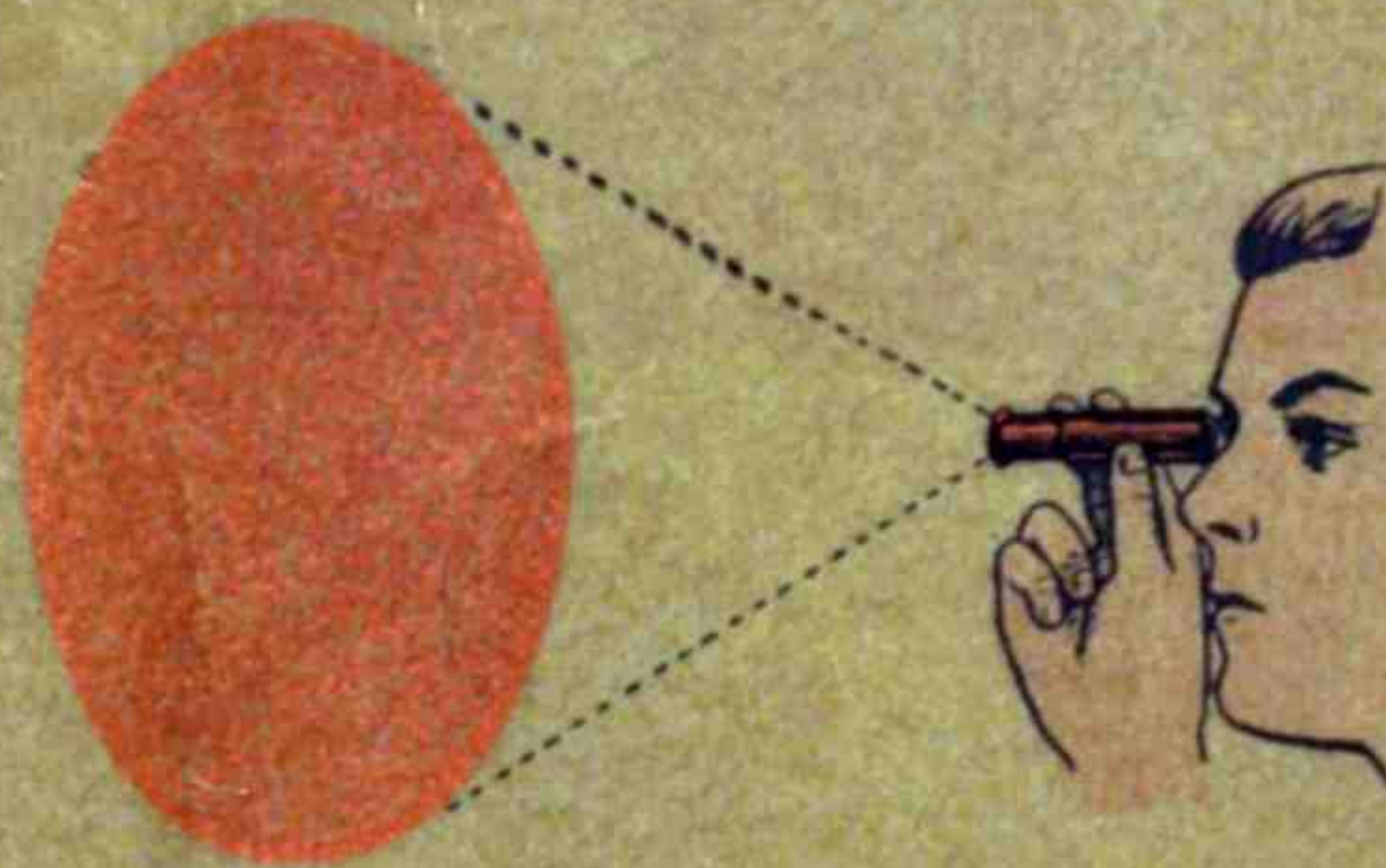
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SIMON TEMPLAR, BETTER KNOWN AS THE SAINT--THE TWENTIETH CENTURY'S GAYEST BUCCANEER, THE MODERN ROBIN HOOD--HERO OF A THOUSAND ADVENTURES IS NOW FIGHTING HIS OWN WAR AGAINST THE NAZIS.



HOPPY UNIATZ, HIS DEVOTED RECRUIT FROM THE NEW YORK UNDERWORLD.



PATRICIA HOLM, THE SAINT'S LOVELY, RECKLESS, RESOURCEFUL ASSISTANT.



PROFESSOR STEINER, FAMOUS GERMAN SCIENTIST, WHOM THE SAINT HAS RESCUED FROM A CONCENTRATION CAMP WHERE HE HAD BEEN IMPRISONED FOR HIS FEARLESS DENUNCIATION OF THE NAZI REGIME.

FOLLOW THE SAINT

also provided him with the result of his labours... rounded zero... He sat for... back and fo... a pity you... Henry... he... a start... cked up... with hi... e bound... nt smile... he way y... f you...

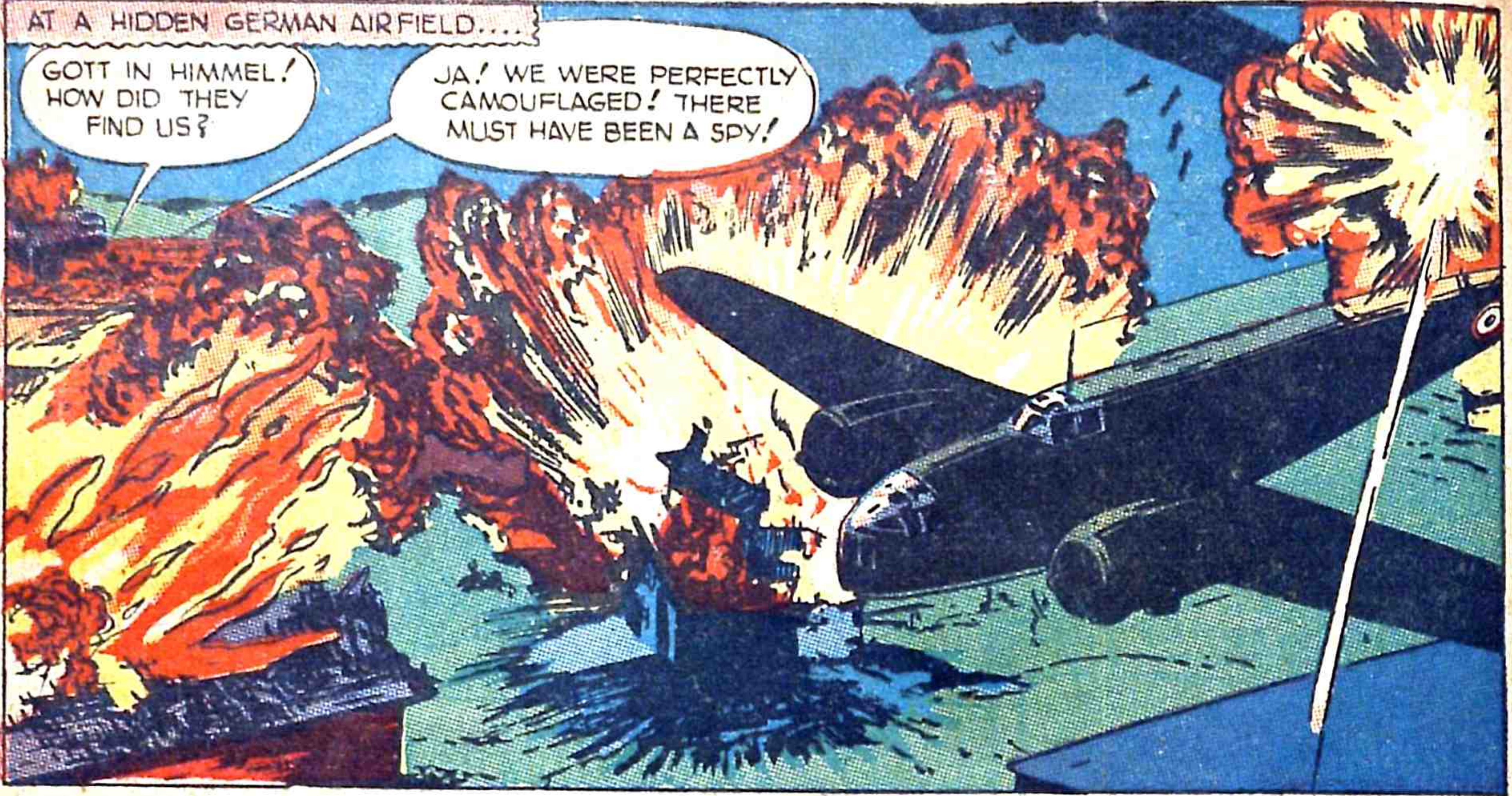
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...heard... a... he backed toward... pure as the... into... re... rel... until he could step on to... "O... Froppy... he said... black sedan... and as... m... into...

AT A HIDDEN GERMAN AIRFIELD....

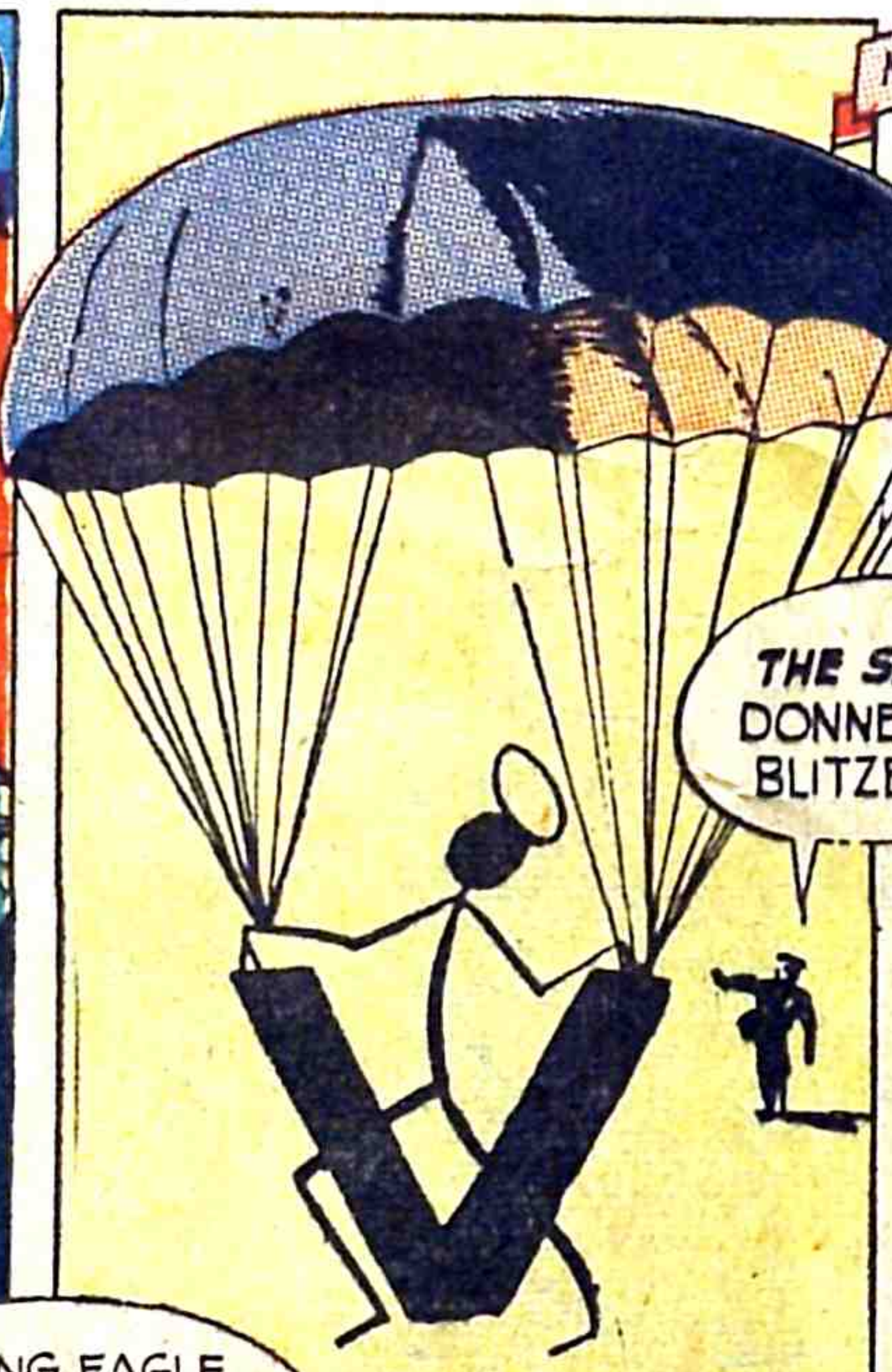
GOTT IN HIMMEL!
HOW DID THEY
FIND US?

JA! WE WERE PERFECTLY
CAMOUFLAGED! THERE
MUST HAVE BEEN A SPY!



THERE
THEY GO!

LOOK! WHAT'S
THAT ON THE
PARACHUTE?



THE SAINT!
DONNER UN
BLITZEN!

MEANWHILE...

THANKS AGAIN, SAINT!
WE'D NEVER HAVE FOUND
THAT FIELD WITHOUT YOUR
HELP! LOOK AFTER
YOURSELF TILL THE
NEXT TIME!



SO LONG, EAGLE
SQUADRON! GOOD
HUNTING ON YOUR WAY
HOME....



....AND GIVE MY
LOVE TO
LONDON!



THE SAINT SKILLFULLY BRINGS HIS FIGHTER IN TO A LANDING AT HIS FIELD ON THE COUNTRYSIDE NEAR BERLIN.....

GEE, HERE HE COMES, PAT! HERE COMES DE BOSS!

YES, HE'S DONE IT AGAIN!

YOU MUST BE VERY PROUD OF HIM, PATRICIA!



YOU LOOK AS THOUGH YOU HAD A GOOD TIME, SAINT!

DIJJA MAKE IT BOSS?

SURE, TOO BAD THIS IS ONLY A SINGLE-PLACE SHIP! I'D LIKE YOU ALL TO HAVE SEEN THE FIREWORKS! BUT LET'S PUT THE BABY TO BED BEFORE I TELL YOU ALL ABOUT IT!



A FEW MOMENTS LATER IN SIMON'S HEADQUARTERS IN THE PROFESSOR'S LABORATORY.....

THIS IS STATION DNB! THERE WAS A RAID TONIGHT ON HANNOVER.

ALL RIGHT HOPPY, ONE-TWO-THREE... PU-U-SH!

ACH, YOUR STORY IS GOOD! I AM A GERMAN AND YET I AM GLAD THAT MY PLANE HELPED TO DESTROY THOSE NAZI BEASTS WHO TORTURED AND KILLED MY WIFE AND SON!

DON'T WORRY, PROFESSOR! I'M NOT THROUGH WITH THEM, YET! TURN ON THE RADIO, HOPPY, AND LET'S HEAR WHAT THE OFFICIAL LIARS HAVE TO SAY TONIGHT!

OKAY, BOSS!

I'LL SAY THERE WAS! PROFESSOR, TUNE IN YOUR TRANSMITTER! HERR GOEBBELS MAY NOT TELL THE EXACT TRUTH AND I'D LIKE TO CORRECT HIM!



THE PROFESSOR TUNES IN HIS TRANSMITTER TO THE OFFICIAL WAVE LENGTH, ENABLING THE SAINT TO INTERRUPT HERR GOEBBELS' BROADCAST.....

AND SO, IN MILLIONS OF GERMAN HOMES THE SAINT'S VOICE INTERRUPTS THE OFFICIAL FAIRY TALES....

I HAVE THE WAVE LENGTH! NOW YOU CAN CUT IN ON THEM!

GO ON BOSS! GIVE 'EM DE WOIKS!

IT'LL BE A PLEASURE!... GOEBBELS, HERE I COME!

TONIGHT'S BRITISH RAID WAS A FAILURE! THEIR BOMBS DROPPED HARMLESSLY IN THE FIELDS OUTSIDE HANNOVER, AND 27 PLANES WERE SHOT DOWN!

YES, THEY WERE DROPPED IN A FIELD--FULL OF GERMAN AIRPLANES! AND THERE WAS ONLY ONE BRITISH PLANE SHOT DOWN! THIS IS THE SAINT SPEAKING!

THE SAINT!
GOTT IN HIMMEL!
HANS, LOCATE HIM AT ONCE!

JAWOHL, HERR, GOEBBELS!



ON THEIR WAVE DETECTOR, THE NAZIS LOCATE THE POSITION OF THE SAINTS HIDEOUT...



THE RADIO BEAMS INTERCEPT HERE! THAT IS NEAR THE VILLAGE OF MUNSTER!

GET YOUR GESTAPO MEN AND GO THERE AT ONCE! AND BRING ME THE SAINT--ALIVE OR DEAD, HE MUST BE STOPPED!

I THINK THAT'S ENOUGH FOR TONIGHT'S BEDTIME STORY! JAM THE STATION, PROFESSOR, AND LET'S SEE WHAT THE BRITISH INTELLIGENCE HAS FOR US!



SIMON, DARLING, DON'T YOU THINK YOU'VE EARNED A NIGHT'S SLEEP?

YEAH, BOSS! YOU DONE ENOUGH!

IT WON'T HURT ME TO GO WITHOUT SLEEP! THEY'RE NOT SLEEPING MUCH IN LONDON, ARE THEY?



HERE IS THE BRITISH STATION, SAINT!



THANKS AGAIN, SAINT! I JUST HAD THE REPORT FROM THE EAGLE SQUADRON! NICE WORK!

IT WAS A GOOD PARTY! NOW, WHAT'S NEXT?

AT THE OFFICE OF THE CHIEF OF BRITISH INTELLIGENCE IN LONDON...



LISTEN, SAINT, WE HAVE INFORMATION THAT THE GERMANS HAVE READIED A STORE OF BACTERIAL BOMBS FOR IMMEDIATE USE ON LONDON! THEY MUST BE LOCATED AND DESTROYED AT ONCE!

I'LL DO MY BEST!



THIS IS WHERE YOUR GOOD WORK WITH HERR GOERING'S CHAUFFEUR SHOULD COME IN HANDY! CALL HIM UP AND SEE IF HE ALREADY HAS A DATE TONIGHT!

THIS IS HIS NIGHT OFF! I THINK I KNOW JUST WHERE TO FIND HIM! I HAVEN'T BEEN HANGING AROUND THE BLOCKENSPIEL TAVERN FOR NOTHING!



HE'S BEEN MAKING EYES AT ME FOR THREE WEEKS! HE OUGHT TO BE EASY!

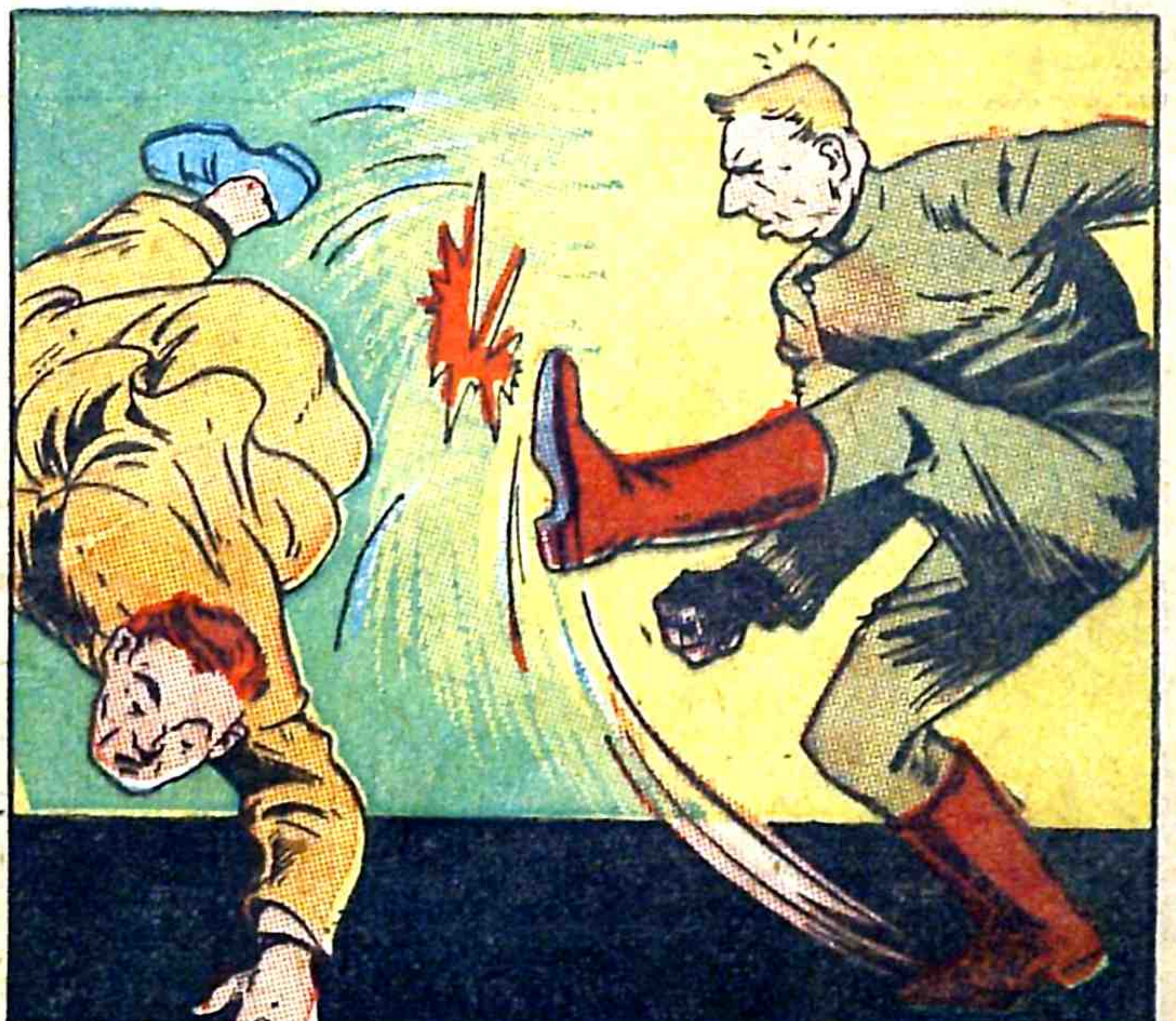
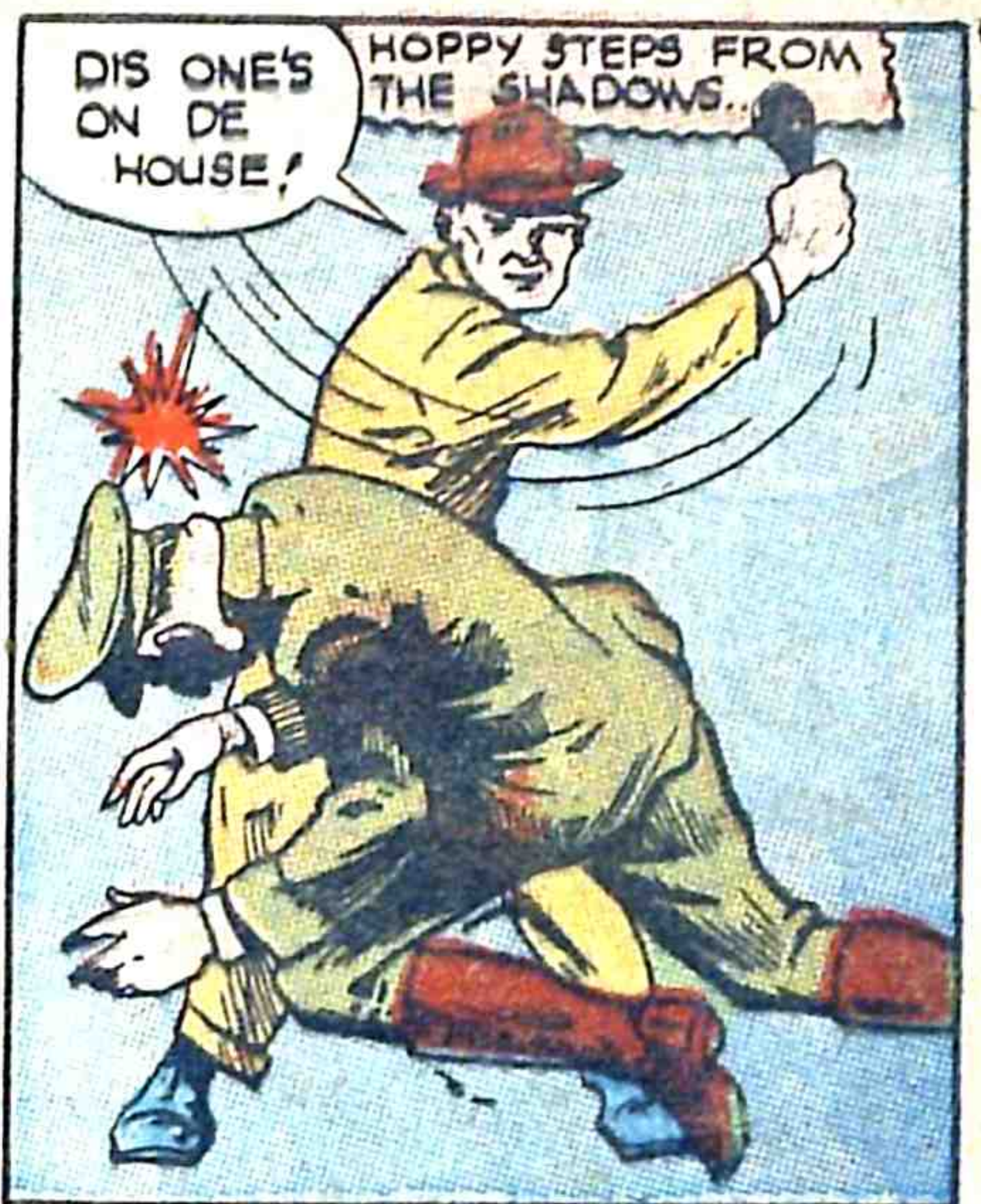
OKAY, YOU TAKE HOPPY ALONG TO CARRY HIM! THE PROFESSOR AND I WILL GET READY TO GIVE HIM A TREATMENT!

IT'S IN DE BAG, BOSS!

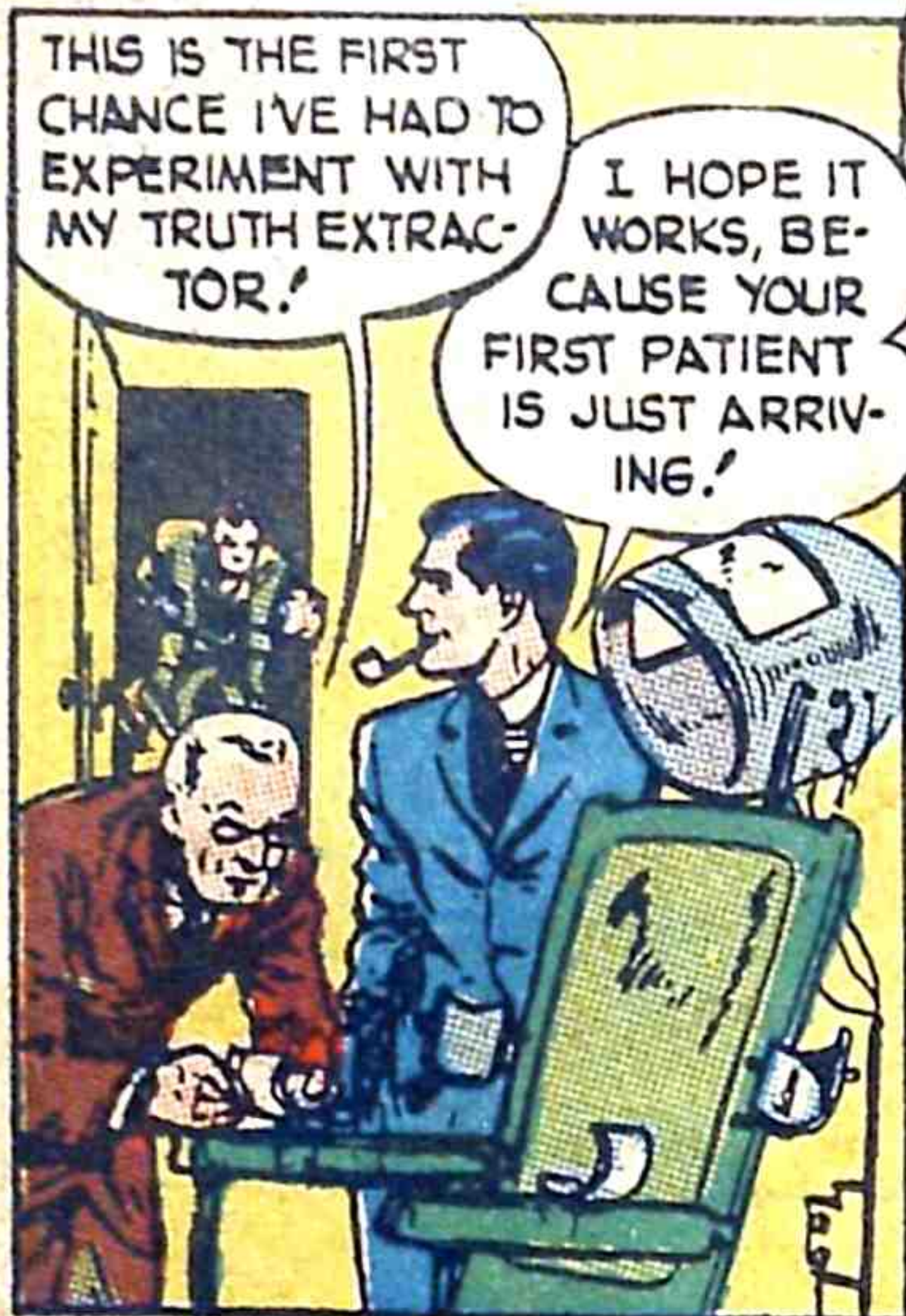


I DON'T THINK YOU'LL HAVE TO WAIT LONG, HOPPY!

DIS IS JUST HOW WE PUT DE SNATCH ON ONE-EYED LOUIE IN '29!



BACK IN THE LABORATORY....



THIS IS THE FIRST CHANCE I'VE HAD TO EXPERIMENT WITH MY TRUTH EXTRACTOR!

I HOPE IT WORKS, BECAUSE YOUR FIRST PATIENT IS JUST ARRIVING!

HIYA BOSS! GEE, DID I LAY HIM TA REST! A RIGHT--A LEFT--HE NEVER TOUCHED ME! BOY, O' BOY!

I SUPPOSE A GRASSHOPPER HUNG THAT MOUSE ON YOUR EYE!



THE OSCILLATING CURRENT PASSING THROUGH THE BRAIN WILL PARALYZE HIS WILL-POWER! HE WILL BE FORCED TO ANSWER ANY QUESTION YOU ASK!

WHERE AM I?



HAVE YOU EVER TAKEN HERR GOERING TO THE FACTORY WHERE THEY ARE ASSEMBLING THE BACTERIAL BOMBS?

JA!

IT WORKS!

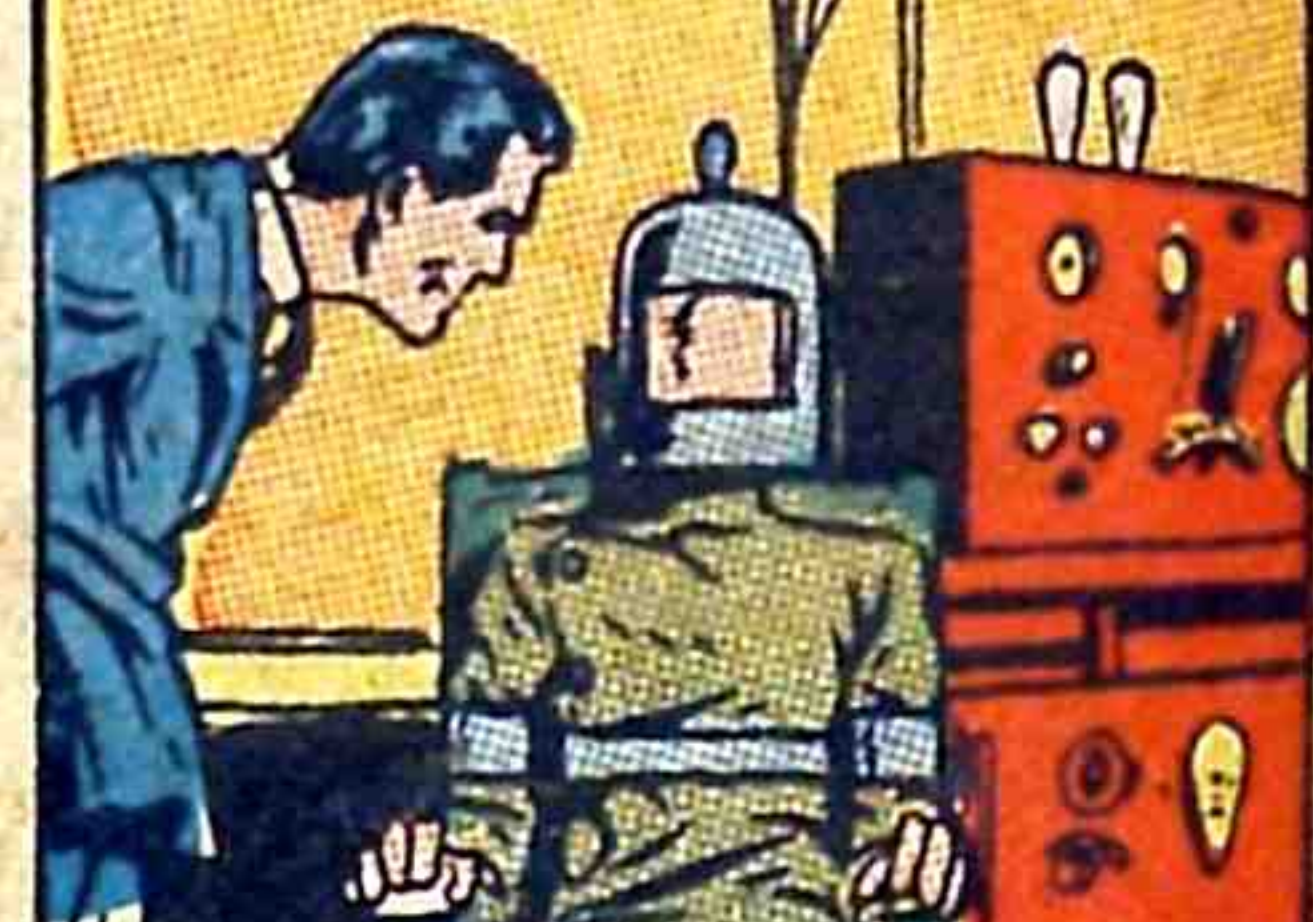


IT'S ON DER ROAD TO SPITZELEBERG...ELEVEN MILES EAST OF HAMBURG! IT VAS ONCE THE SPITZELBERG ORPHANAGE AND ISS NOW DISGUISED AS A HOSPITAL!



DO YOU KNOW WHEN THEY'RE GOING TO MAKE THE RAID?

JA! AT DAWN TOMORROW! DEY VILL BE LOADING DER BOMBS TONIGHT!



WE MUST RADIO LONDON AT ONCE!

NO THEY WOULDN'T HAVE TIME TO ORGANIZE A RAID NOW! WE'LL TAKE CARE OF THIS OURSELVES!



THE SAINT LISTENS IN ON THE LUFT-WAFFE WAVE LENGTH.....

THE DEATH'S HEAD SQUADRON WILL RENDEZVOUS OVER DUSSELDORF TONIGHT AT 9:30 WITH THE MESSERSCHMITS FROM PONSEN! COMMANDANT STIMMEL WILL LEAD THE SQUADRON ON LONDON!

MAYBE I CAN CHANGE THEIR MINDS! GET THE SHIP OUT, HOPPY!



SIMON, DARLING, YOU'VE JUST GOT TO GET A TWO-PLACE PLANE!



THE SAINT PREPARES TO ATTEND THE PARTY OVER DUSSELDORF...



LOOK AFTER YOURSELF, SIMON! I WOULDN'T QUITE KNOW WHAT TO DO WITHOUT YOU!

DON'T WORRY, PAT! I ALWAYS CARRY MY HOT WATER BOTTLE WRAPPED IN MY PARACHUTE!

SEE! THERE IS A SECRET HANGAR!



JA! AND THERE IS THE PLANE TAKING OFF!

VE VILL WAIT FOR THE SAINT TO COME BACK! MEANWHILE VE VILL CAPTURE THE PEOPLE OVER DERE! DEY MUST BE PART OF HIS GANG!



A FEW MINUTES LATER, THE GESTAPO GETS A TASTE OF HOPPY'S UPBRINGING....



COME ON, SLUGS! DON'T GET NOIVOUS!

GET HIM! DON'T JUST STAND DERE! GET HEEM!



OUTNUMBERED, THE VALIANT HOPPY IS FINALLY OVERPOWERED.



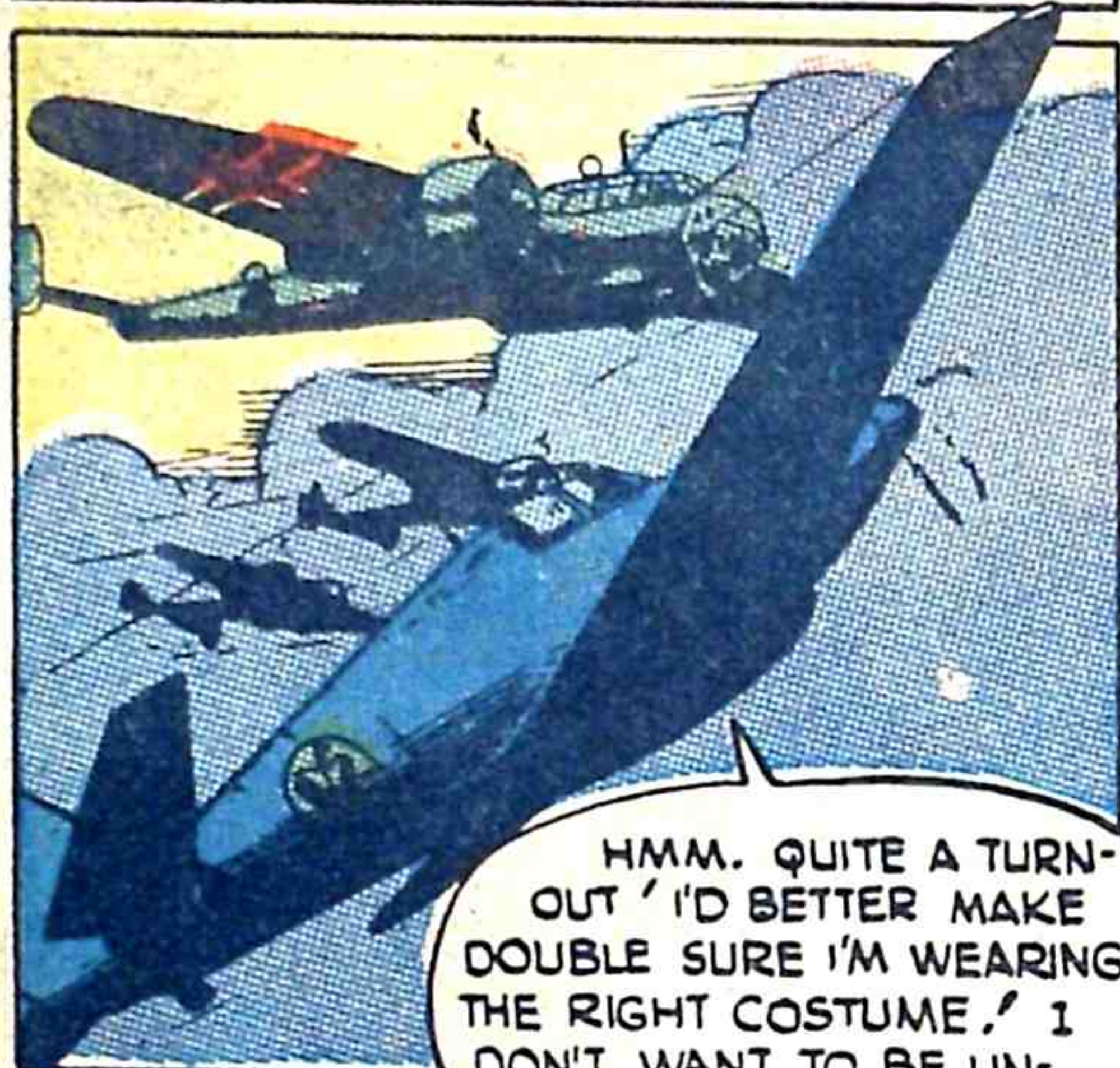
SO, NOW YOU VILL TELL US WHERE DIS SAINT HASS GONE!

DON'T TELL HIM A THING, HOPPY!

JA! YOU SAY YOU'RE HERR GOERING'S CHAUFFEUR! HOW IS DOT YOU'RE HERE?

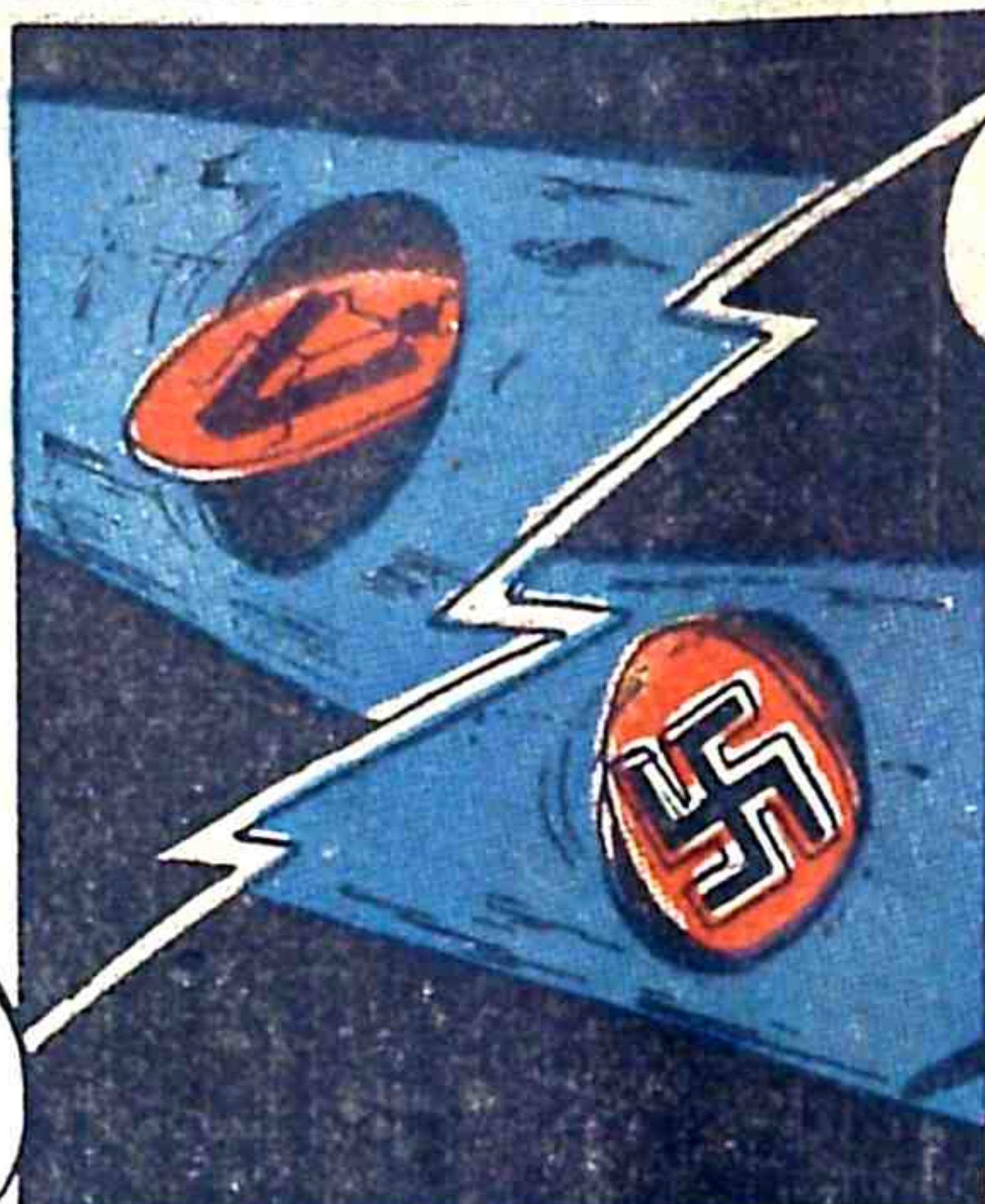
I'LL ONLY TALK TO 'EM WITH A BEETSY!

MEANWHILE THE SAINT ATTENDS THE PARTY OVER DUSSELDORF...



HMM. QUITE A TURN-OUT ' I'D BETTER MAKE DOUBLE SURE I'M WEARING THE RIGHT COSTUME. ' I DON'T WANT TO BE UN-POPULAR. '

THE SAINT REVERSES HIS INSIGNIA.....

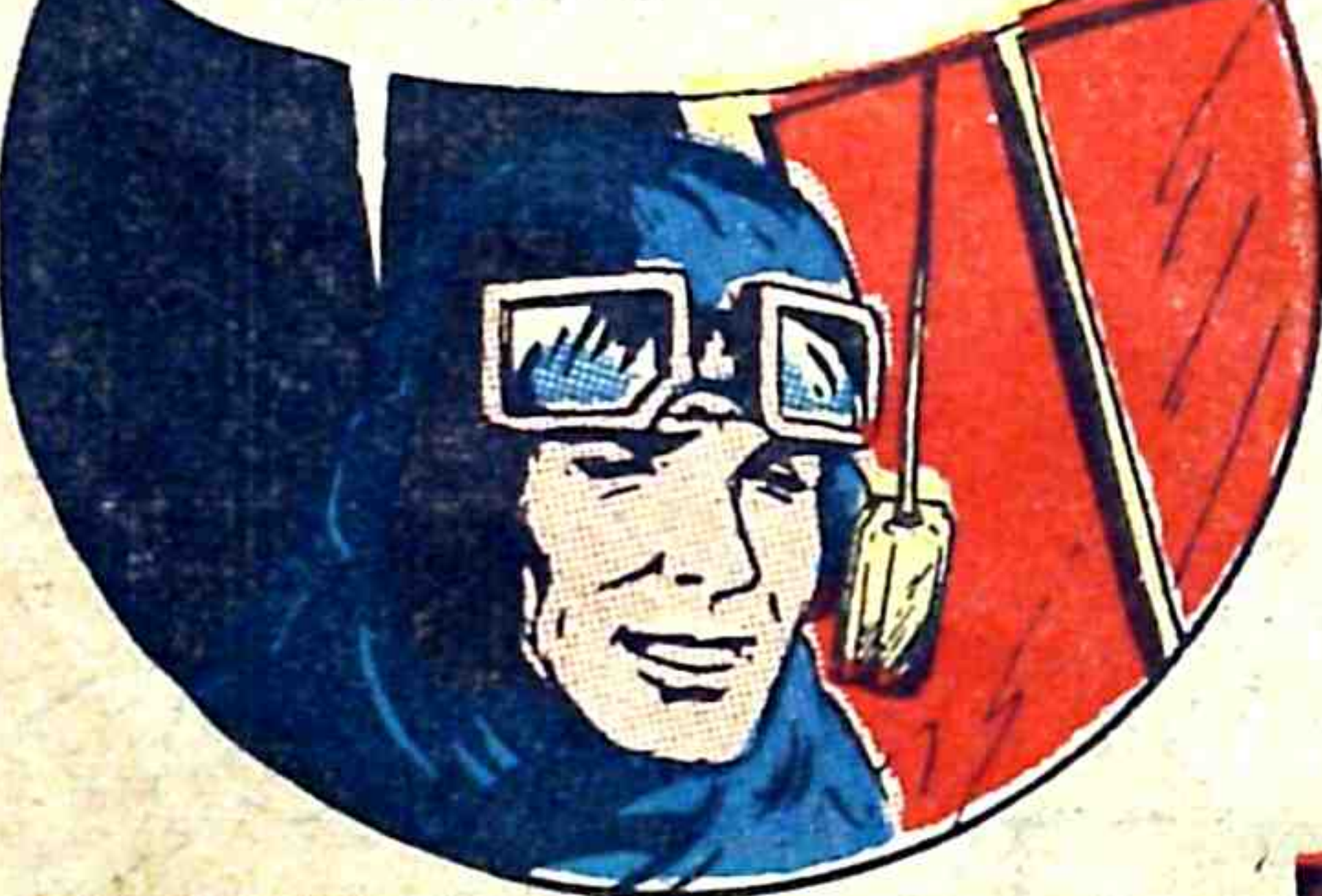


COMMANDANT STIMMEL! COM-
MANDANT STIMMEL!

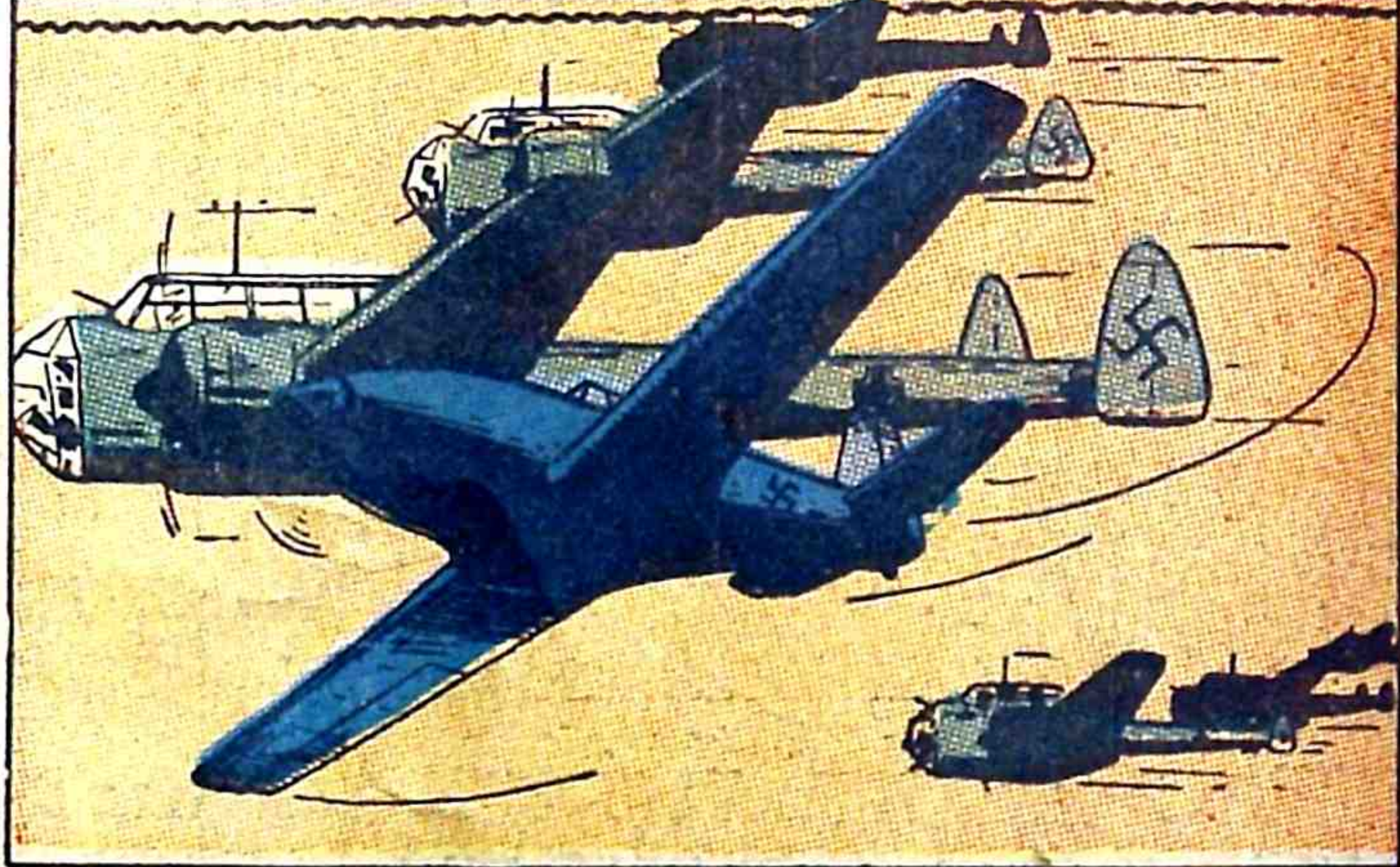


JA! I'M COM-
MANDANT STIM-
MEL! WHAT IS
IT?

YOUR ORDERS HAVE BEEN ALTERED, COMMANDANT! THE BRITISH FORCES HAVE JUST MADE A LANDING OUT-SIDE HAMBURG! THEY HAVE CAPTURED A HOSPITAL THERE! HERR GOERING HAS SENT ME TO LEAD YOU! WE ARE TO BOMB THEM OUT!

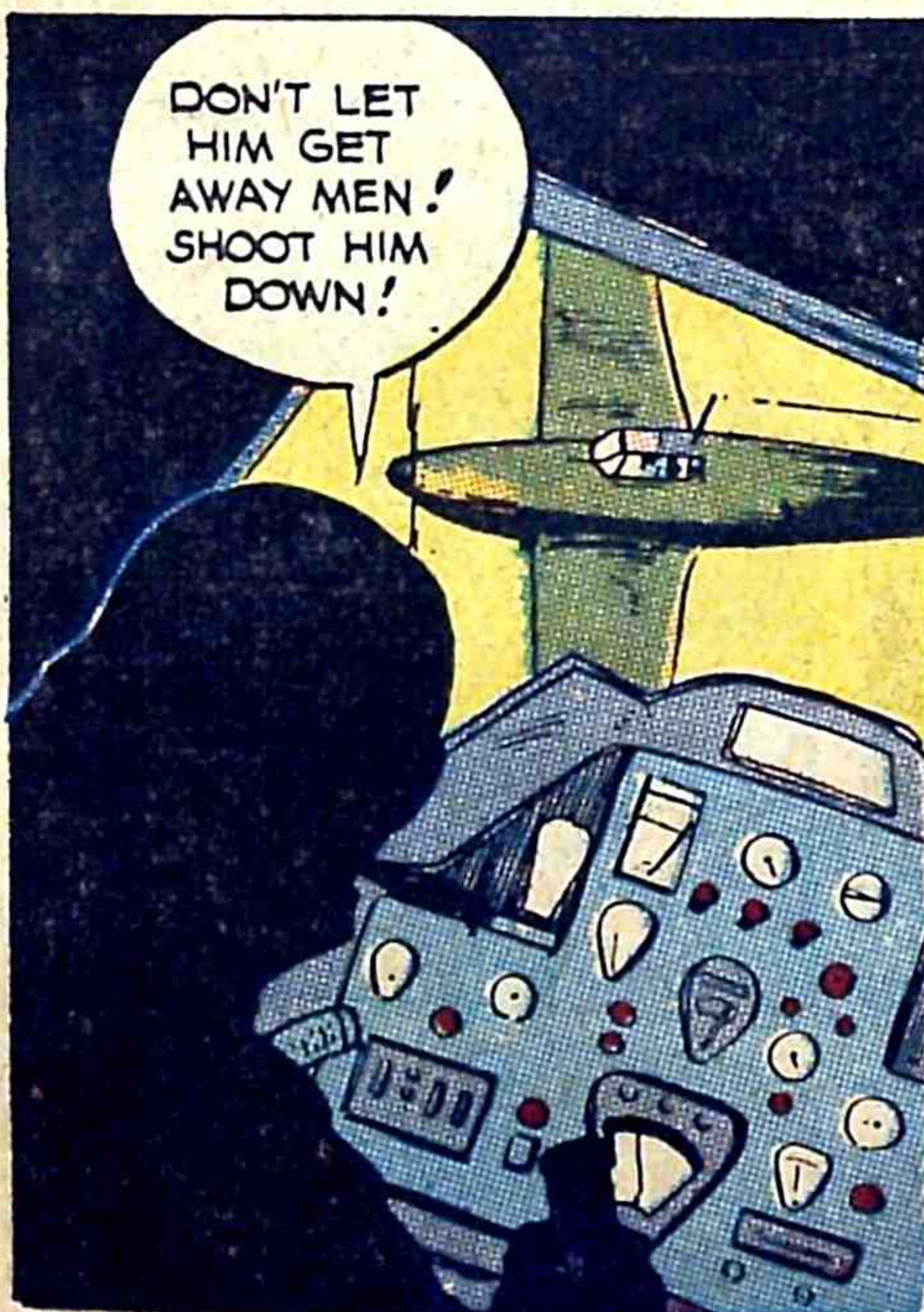
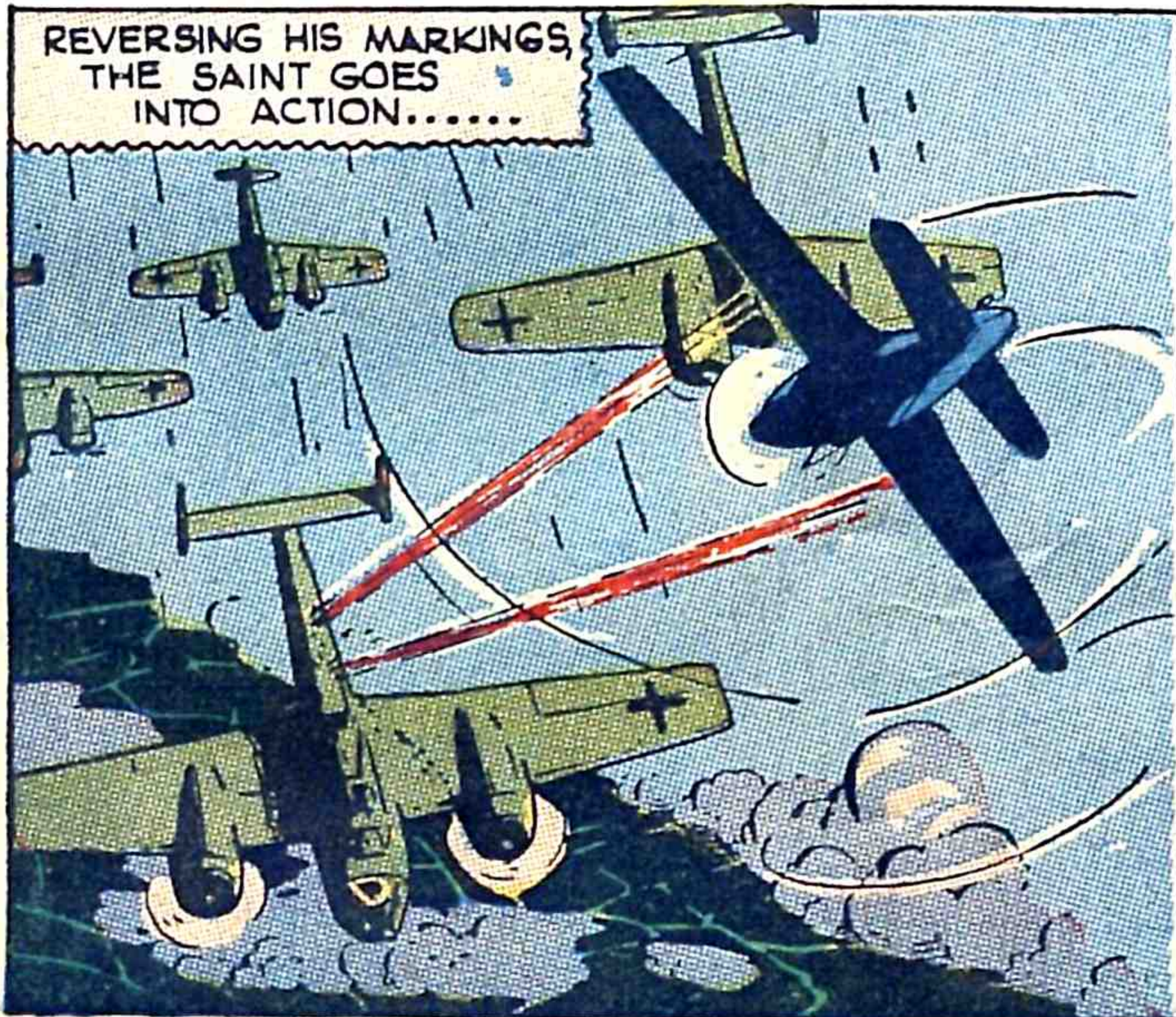
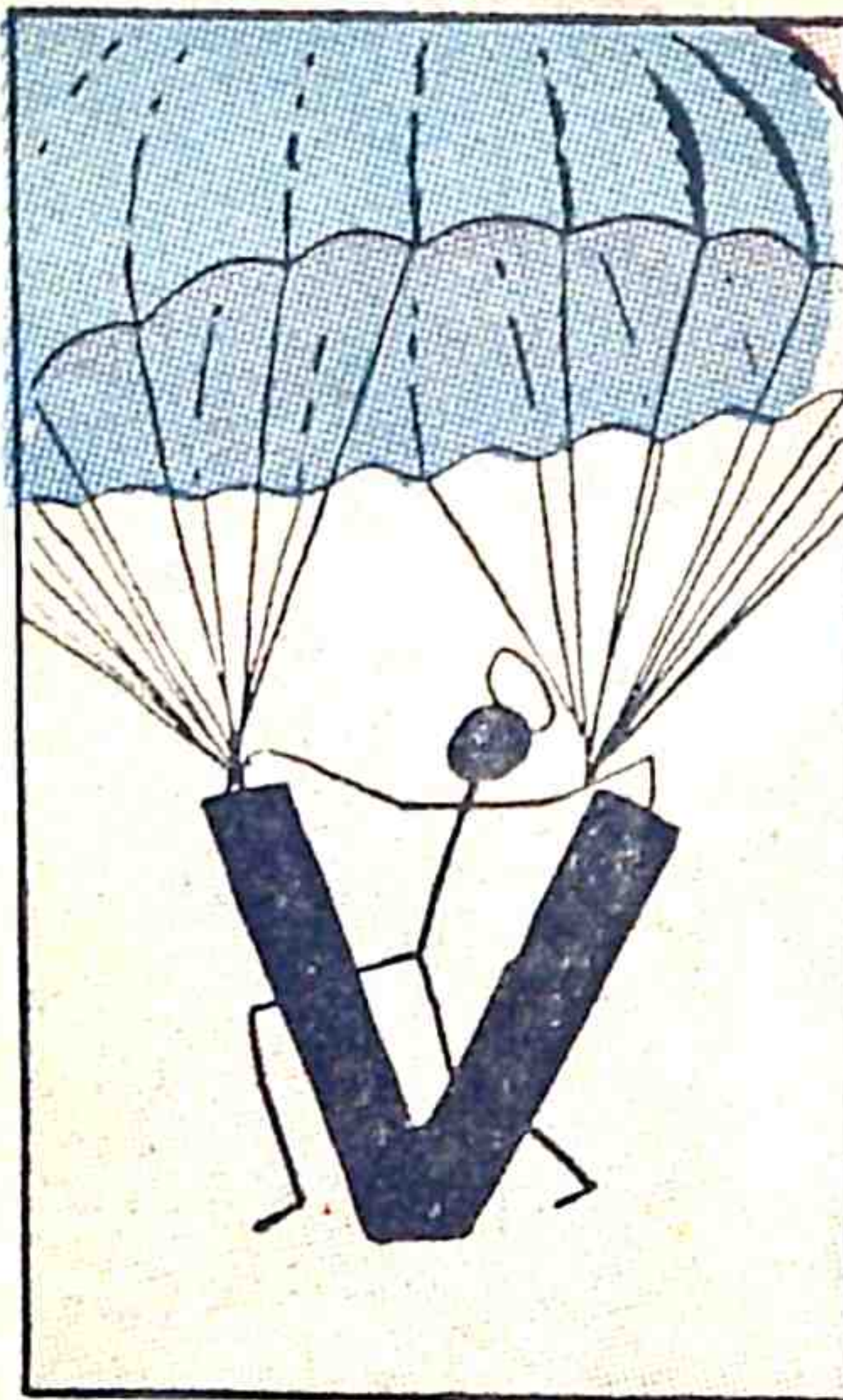


THE SAINT LEADS THE UNWITTING NAZIS BACK INTO THEIR OWN TERRITORY.....



AT 20,000 FEET THE SAINT LEADS THE SQUADRON OVER AN OBJECT AND ORDERS BOMBS TO BE DROPPED.....







NOW, VE VILL SEE HOW BRAVE THE AMERICAN SVINES ARE!

YEAH? YOU AND WHO ELSE?



SUDDENLY THE SOUND OF THE SAINT'S APPROACHING PLANE IS HEARD....

THE SAINT! GOOT! NOW VE VILL GET HEEM TOO!

JA! LET US VAIT FOR HEEM IN THE SECRET HANGAR!

GEE, IT'S DE BOSS! I GOT TO GET DAT VEREY PISTOL AND WARN HIM!



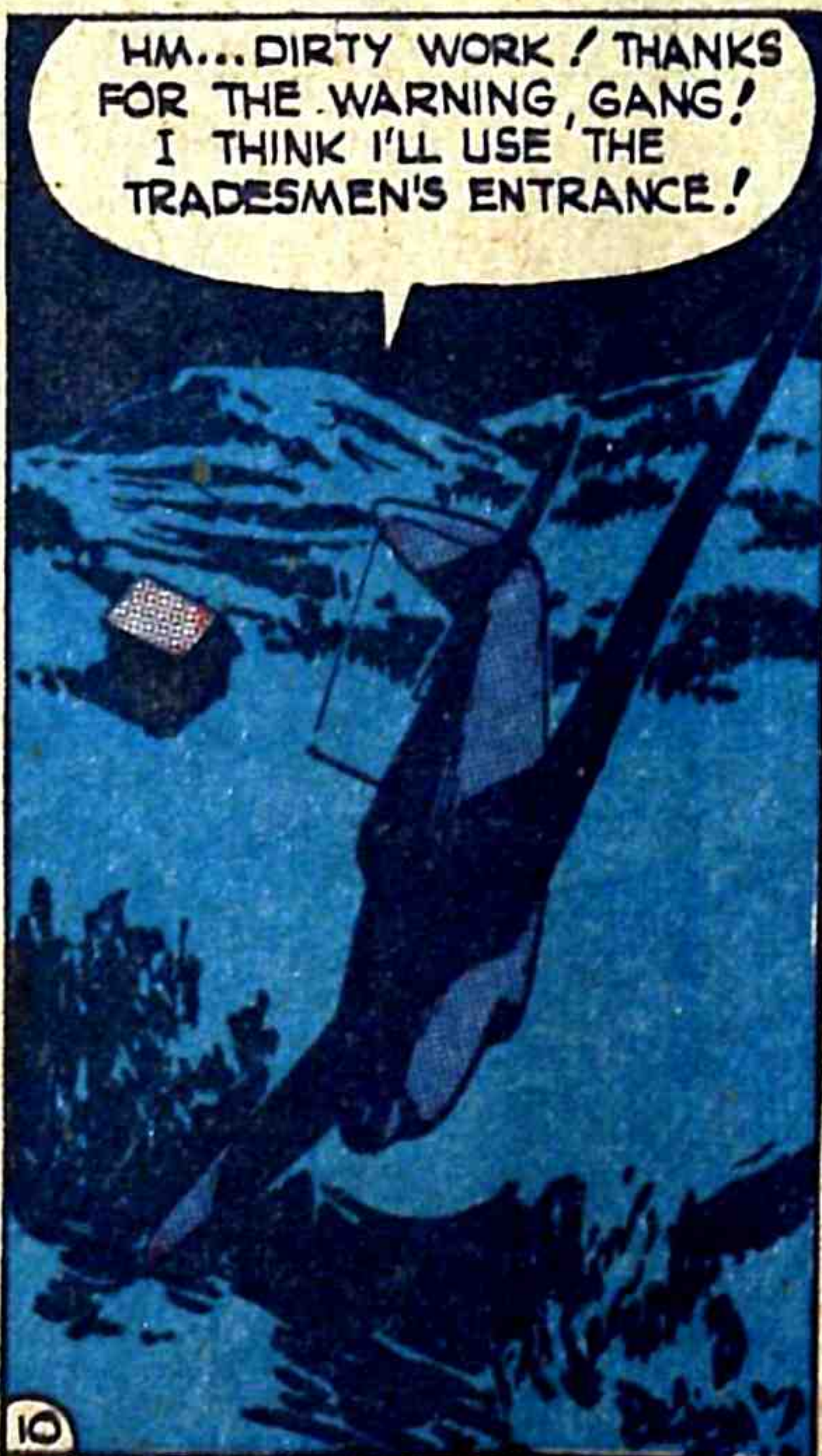
HOPPY GOES INTO ACTION...

PAT! DE VEREY PISTOL! FIRE IT OUT OF DE WINDOW!

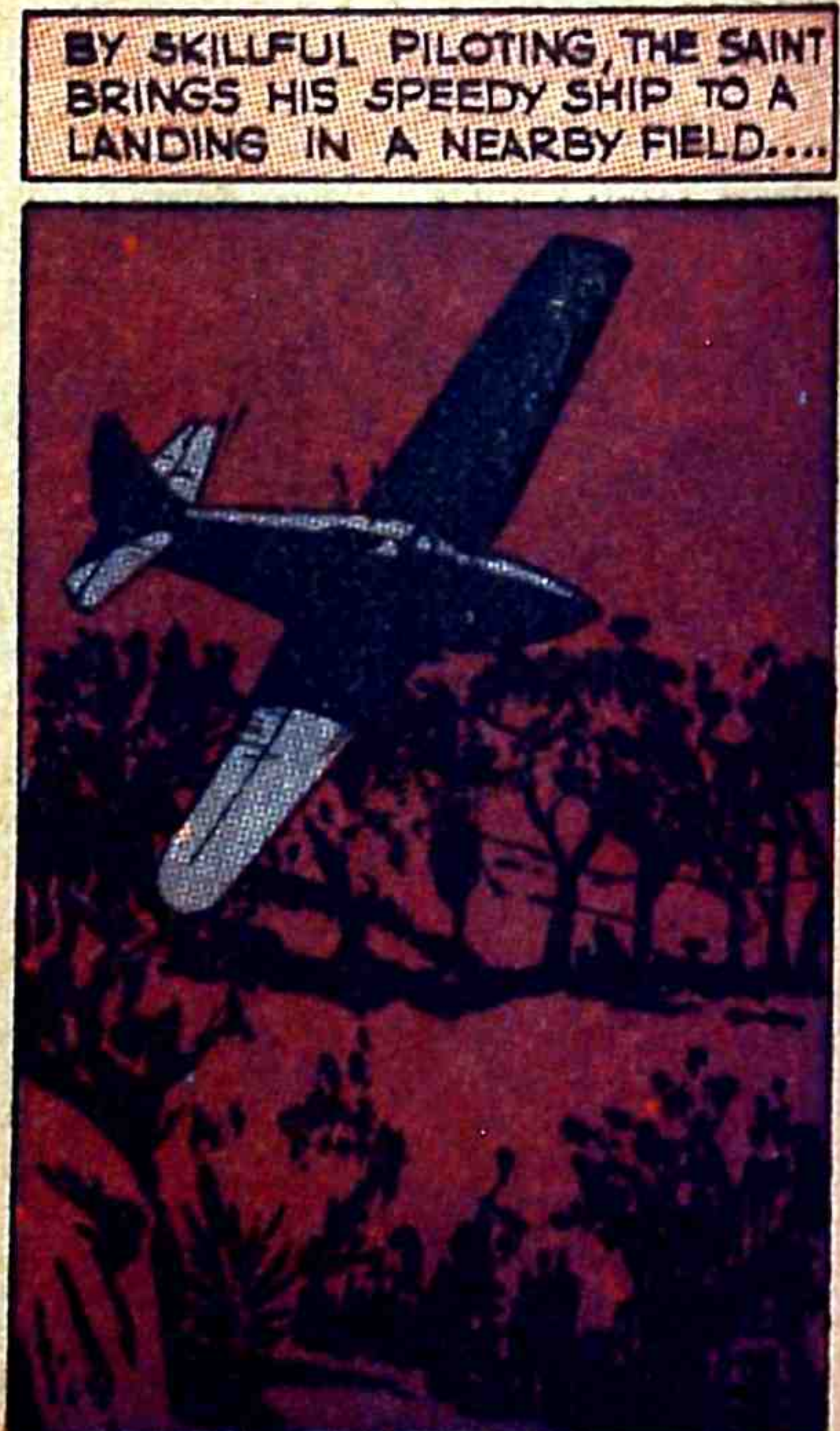
OKAY, HOPPY! KEEP 'EM BUSY!



TAKES MORE THAN A ROPE TO HOLD HOPPY UNIATZ!



HM... DIRTY WORK! THANKS FOR THE WARNING, GANG! I THINK I'LL USE THE TRADESMEN'S ENTRANCE!



BY SKILLFUL PILOTING, THE SAINT BRINGS HIS SPEEDY SHIP TO A LANDING IN A NEARBY FIELD....



VISITORS? I DIDN'T EXPECT THEY'D RE-PAY MY CALL AS QUICKLY AS THIS!



HANS, TAKE YOUR MEN AND SEARCH OUTSIDE! THE SAINT MUST HAFF LANDED NEARBY! I VILL FIX DESE PEOPLE!

YA WOHL, HERR HAUPT-MANN!



WERE YOU LOOKING FOR ME, BOYS?



COME ON, BOSS, LEMME GIVE DESE GUYS DE HEAT!

WE CAN'T LOSE 'EM NOW! THEY KNOW TOO MUCH!

TAKE THEM IN THE OTHER ROOM AND GET THEIR UNIFORMS, HOPPY! I HAVE AN IDEA!



DARLING, WHEN ARE WE GOING TO SPEND A QUIET EVENING AT HOME?

AS SOON AS YOU STOP ASKING YOUR FUNNY FRIENDS TO DROP IN!

THIS IS LONDON CALLING THE SAINT!



DON'T THINK I'M RUSHING YOU OLD BOY, BUT THEY MAY TRY THIS BACTERIAL RAID AT ANY MOMENT!

DON'T WORRY! THERE WON'T BE ANY BACTERIAL RAID! SOME GERMAN SQUADRON LOST ITS WAY TONIGHT AND BLEW THE FACTORY TO BITS!

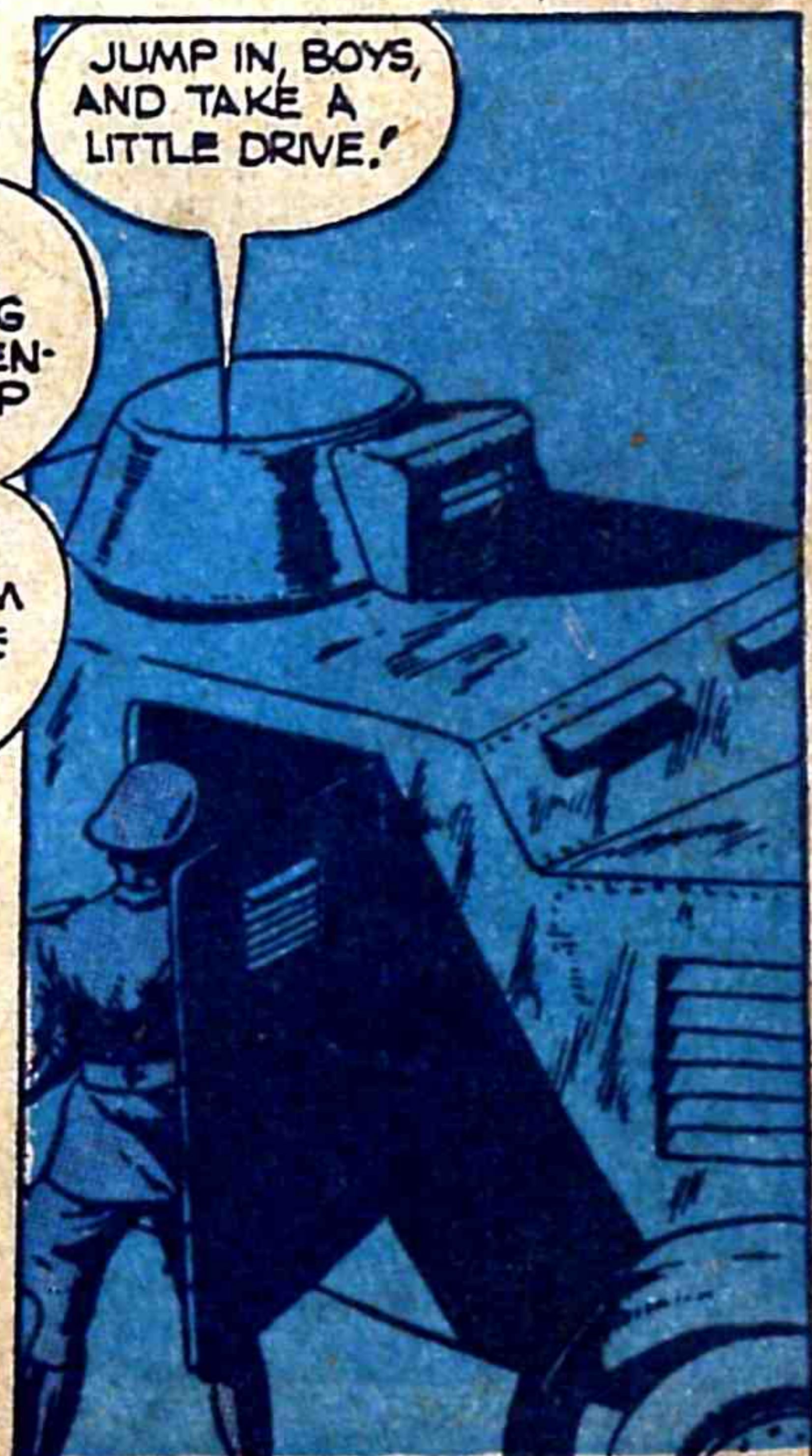


A FEW MINUTES LATER, THE SAINT AND HOPPY ARE DRESSED IN THE GERMAN UNIFORMS.....

WHAT ARE WE GOING TO DO WITH THOSE GESTAPO MEN?

YOU CAN'T MURDER THEM IN COLD BLOOD, OR COULD YOU?

I COULD, BUT MAYBE THEY'LL SAVE ME THE TROUBLE! HOPPY, DIG OUT THE CONCENTRATION CAMP UNIFORMS FROM OUR WARDROBE AND DRESS 'EM UP! PUT SOME GAS IN THEIR CAR!



JUMP IN, BOYS, AND TAKE A LITTLE DRIVE!

NOW WE'LL HIT FOR THE SWISS BORDER AND DUMP THESE GUYS! THEY'LL BE INTERNED AND WE'LL BE RID OF 'EM!



BUT THE NAZIS HAVE SUCCEEDED IN LOOSENING THEIR BONDS...

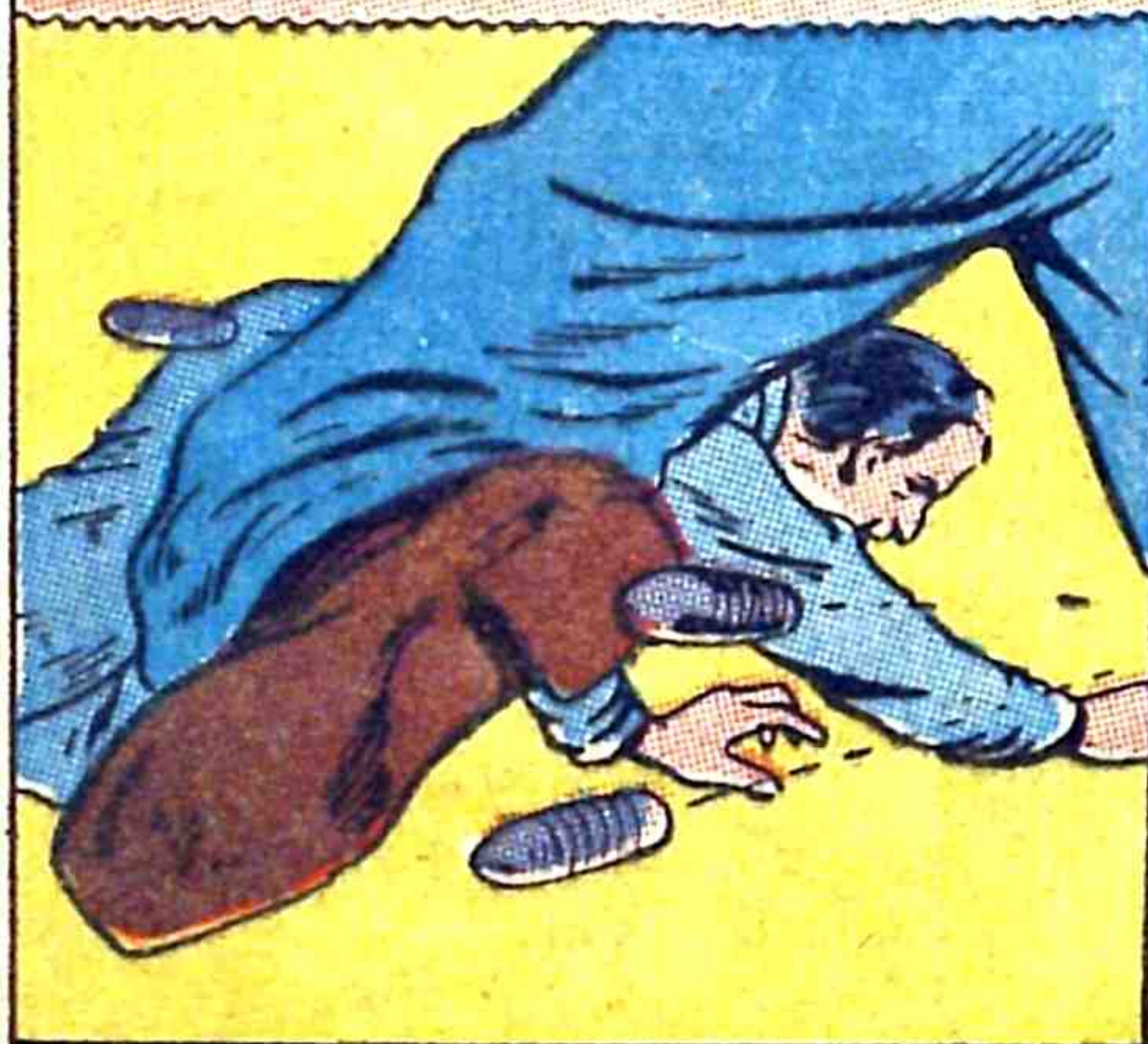


VEN DER CAR STOPS AT DER BORDER, VE JUMP OUDT!

HALT! FIRE! QUICK DER CONCENTRATION PRISONERS ARE ESCAPING!



AND AS THE GESTAPO AGENTS IN THEIR CONCENTRATION CAMP UNIFORMS BURST FROM THE CAR, THE BORDER GUARDS FIRE ON THEM...



COME, MEN, VE VILL SEE IF DERE IS MORE IN DER CAR!



GESTAPO UND A GIRL! CAPTURED BY THE PRISONERS!



THANKS FOR RELEASING US, CORPORAL! THEY ESCAPED FROM THE ZUNGEIST CAMP AND CAPTURED US BUT YOUR MEN FINISHED THEM SO WE'LL GO BACK NOW AND RELAX!

JA ' VE SHOOT GOOT!



GEE, WE WERE LUCKY TO GET OUT OF THAT MESS! AS SOON AS WE GET HOME, I'M GONNA TAKE A GOOD HOT BATH! HEY, WHAT'S A MATTER WITH THE ENGINE?



WELL, HOPPY NEXT TIME I SAY PUT GAS IN THE CAR, REMEMBER, I'M NOT JOKING!

AW, GEE BOSS, IT JUST KINDA' SLIPPED MY MIND!

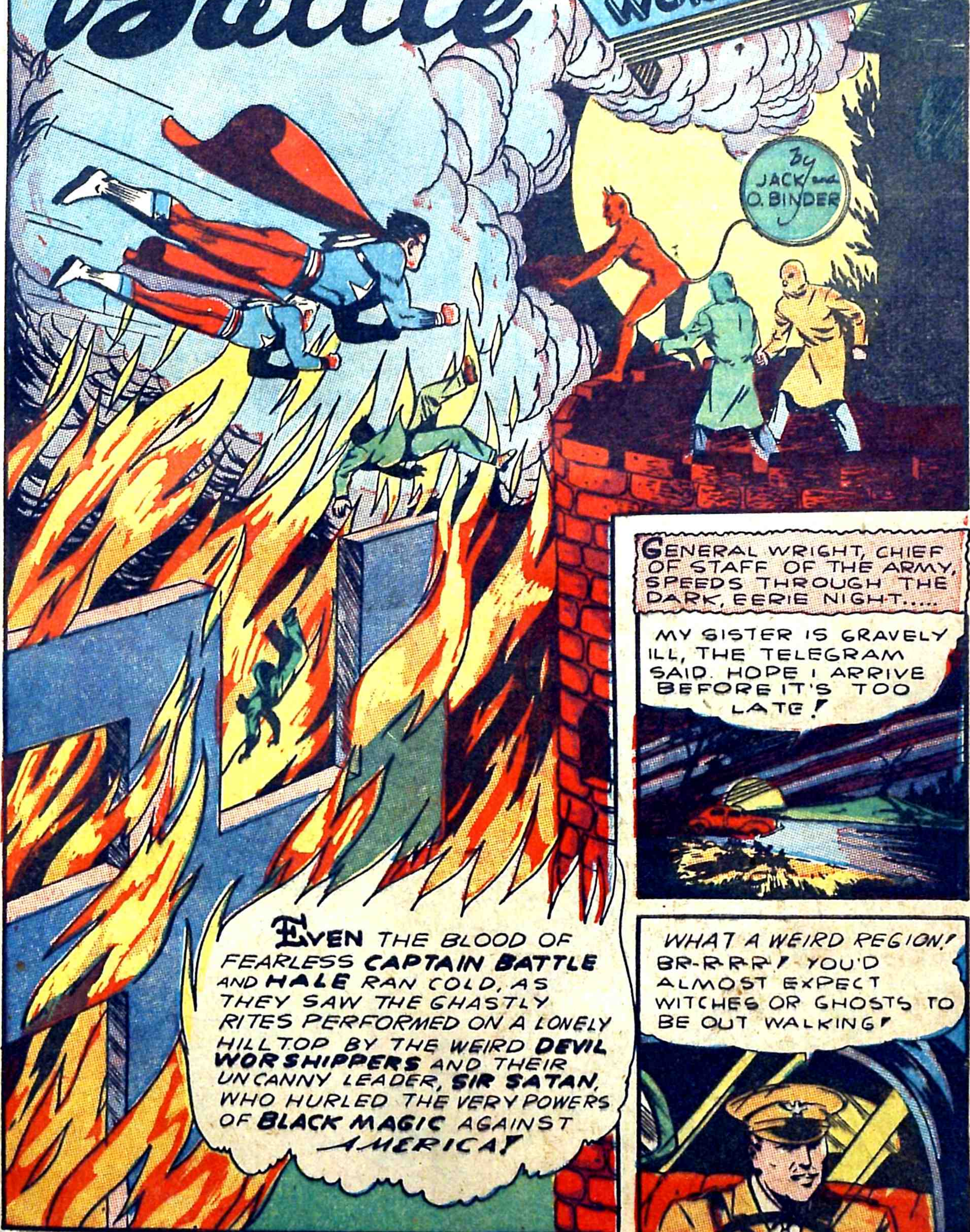


THE SAINT RETURNS NEXT MONTH TO FAN THE FLAMES OF REBELLION AGAINST THE NAZI WARLORDS. WATCH FOR HIM IN **SILVER STREAK COMICS!**

Captain Battle

AND THE DEVIL WORSHIPPERS

By JACK and O. BINDER



GENERAL WRIGHT, CHIEF OF STAFF OF THE ARMY, SPEEDS THROUGH THE DARK, EERIE NIGHT.....

MY SISTER IS GRAVELY ILL, THE TELEGRAM SAID. HOPE I ARRIVE BEFORE IT'S TOO LATE!



EVEN THE BLOOD OF FEARLESS CAPTAIN BATTLE AND HALE RAN COLD, AS THEY SAW THE GHASTLY RITES PERFORMED ON A LONELY HILL TOP BY THE WEIRD DEVIL WORSHIPPERS AND THEIR UNCANNY LEADER, SIR SATAN, WHO HURLED THE VERY POWERS OF BLACK MAGIC AGAINST AMERICA!

WHAT A WEIRD REGION! BR-RRR! YOU'D ALMOST EXPECT WITCHES OR GHOSTS TO BE OUT WALKING!



SUDDENLY, HE JAMS ON THE BRAKES
FRANTICALLY!

Silently, THE GHASTLY CREW
PULL THE GENERAL
FROM HIS CAR.....



... AND CARRY HIM UP A HILLSIDE
TO A LONELY SPOT.

As THEY APPROACH
THE WEIRD FIGURE
BESIDE THE
FLAMING TORCH...

HERE'S GENERAL
WRIGHT, SIR
SATAN!

WHAT'S THAT AHEAD?
WHY DON'T YOU TALK?
OH, THIS IS DRIVING
ME MAD! IF THEY'D
ONLY SAY
SOMETHING!

GREAT HEAVENS! IT'S
THE DEVIL HIMSELF!
THEY'RE DEVIL
WORSHIPPERS!

AH YES! THE
FAKE TELEGRAM
WORKED.



But WITHIN A HUNDRED MILES
IS ONE WHO CAN HELP, BY
NAME OF CAPTAIN BATTLE,
AS HE SCANS HIS FAR-SEEING
CURVOSCOPE....

ANOTHER
SACRIFICE
FOR THE
FIRE!
THROW
HIM IN!

HELP! SOMEONE
SAVE ME!

SHUT UP,
FOOL!
THERE'S NO
HELP WITHIN
A HUNDRED
MILES!

WHAT'S
UP?

LOOK! IT'S
THOSE DEVIL
WORSHIPPERS
THAT WERE
REPORTED!

AND
THEY'VE
GOT
GENERAL
WRIGHT!





D-DEVIL WORSHIPPERS! DO YOU SUPPOSE IT'S REALLY S-SATAN....?

THAT'S WHAT WE WANT TO KNOW. HALE, YOU CHECK ON THAT INTERNATIONAL AGENT, SIR NATAS.....

... WHILE I CHASE THIS CLUE DOWN.

AW, SHUCKS I'LL MISS THE FUN!

HOPE CAPTAIN BATTLE SOLVES THE MYSTERY. IT'S FRIGHTENING!

And THE WATCHDOGS OF AMERICA AGAIN ZOOM INTO THE NIGHT ON THE TRAIL OF A MYSTERY MORE BAFFLING THAN ANY BEFORE!

MEANWHILE, BEFORE THE BLAZING SIGN OF EVIL...



NO---NO! HELP!

HO, HO! WATCH HIM BURN!



SORRY TO SPOIL THE FUN, GENTS!



IT'S THAT DEVIL--- CAPTAIN BATTLE! THROW HIM IN THE FIRE!

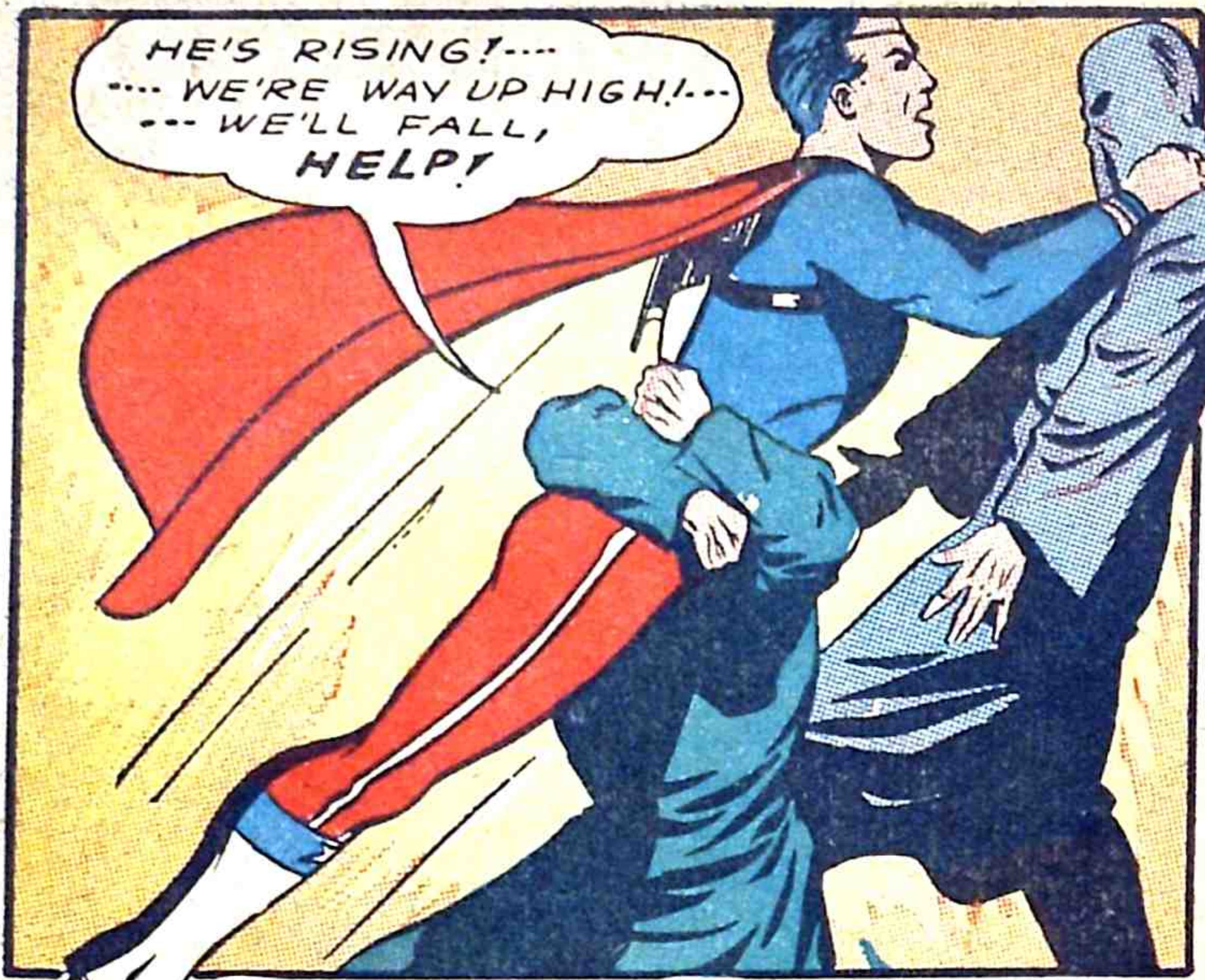
WITH A POWERFUL BLAST OF HIS LUCEFLYERS, CAPTAIN BATTLE LIFTS THE CLINGING HOODED FIGURES!

HOLD ON TIGHT!

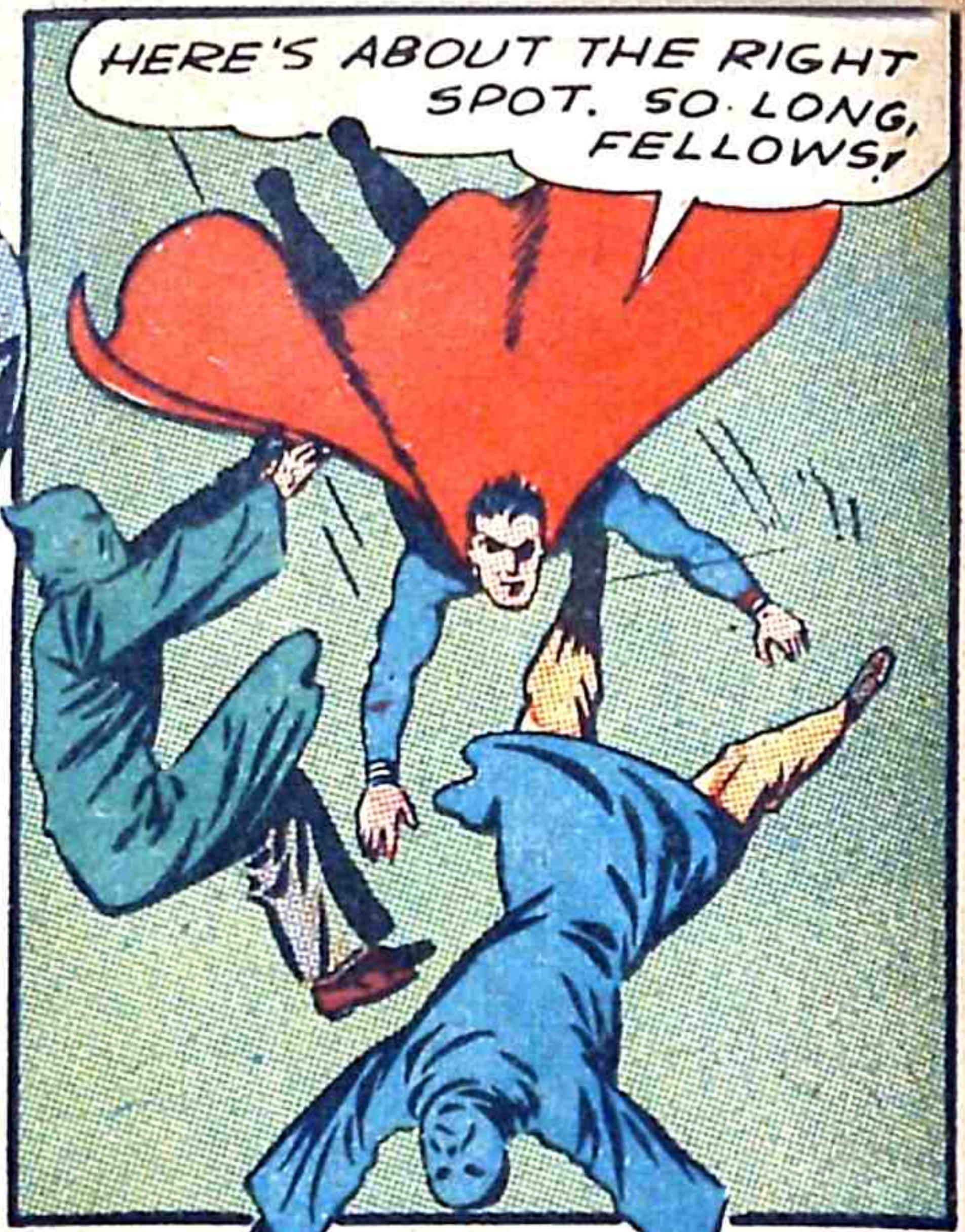
WE GOT HIM!

YOU MEAN I'VE GOT YOU! SUPPOSE WE JUST RISE A LITTLE AND...





HE'S RISING!...
... WE'RE WAY UP HIGH!...
... WE'LL FALL,
HELP!



HERE'S ABOUT THE RIGHT
SPOT. SO LONG,
FELLOWS!



**THORNS!
OWW!**

YIPE!



NOW TO GIVE
THAT SATAN
PHONEY THE
WORKS!



But SIR
SATAN
HAS ALREADY
ACTED!

YOU'RE SUNK
ANYWAY,
GENERAL!

OOOOH!



I'LL GET YOU FOR
THAT, YOU RED
CUR!

WILL
YOU?

CAPTAIN BATTLE DRAWS BACK FROM THE SCORCHING FLAMES.



IT'S IMPOSSIBLE! NO MAN CAN SURVIVE IN THAT FLAME!

NO MAN CAN. BUT WHAT ABOUT SATAN? HO, HO, HO!

And THE UNCANNY FIGURE VANISHES IN A PUFF OF SMOKE!



I CAN'T BELIEVE IT! HE'S GONE!

AND THE HOODED GANG SLIPPED AWAY TOO! I CERTAINLY GOT NOWHERE FAST THIS TIME! WELL, BACK TO HILLTOP..



Meanwhile, HALE HAS ARRIVED AT THE HOME OF SIR NATAS, AN INTERNATIONAL AGENT UNDER SUSPICION FOR SOME TIME.



NO LIGHTS! I'LL CRAWL IN.



NOBODY HOME! THAT MEANS SIR NATAS MUST BE BEHIND THE DEVIL WORSHIPPERS ALL RIGHT!

Another FIGURE ARRIVES! HALE BATTLE'S HERE! I'VE GOTTA THINK FAST!



HUH? SIR NATAS!

OH, HELLO! DIDN'T HERE YOU COME IN. JUST GRABBING A BITE BEFORE RETIRING.



PRETTY THIN STORY! I'LL REPORT HIM!

GOTTA GET RID OF THIS BRAT BEFORE HE REPORTS TO CAPTAIN BATTLE. BUT CAPTAIN BATTLE WILL SEARCH FOR HIM!



I'VE GOT IT! I'LL GET BATTLE OUT OF THE WAY FOR THE TIME BEING



THIS IS A FRIEND! HALE'S IN DANGER! COME TO SOUTH SHORE AND BEACH ROAD IMMEDIATELY!

Captain BATTLE RETURNS TO HILLTOP LABORATORY.

HALE HASN'T COME BACK YET!

IS HE IN TROUBLE?----- OH, THERE'S THE PHONE!



RINGGGGG!

I'LL BE THERE IN A FLASH!



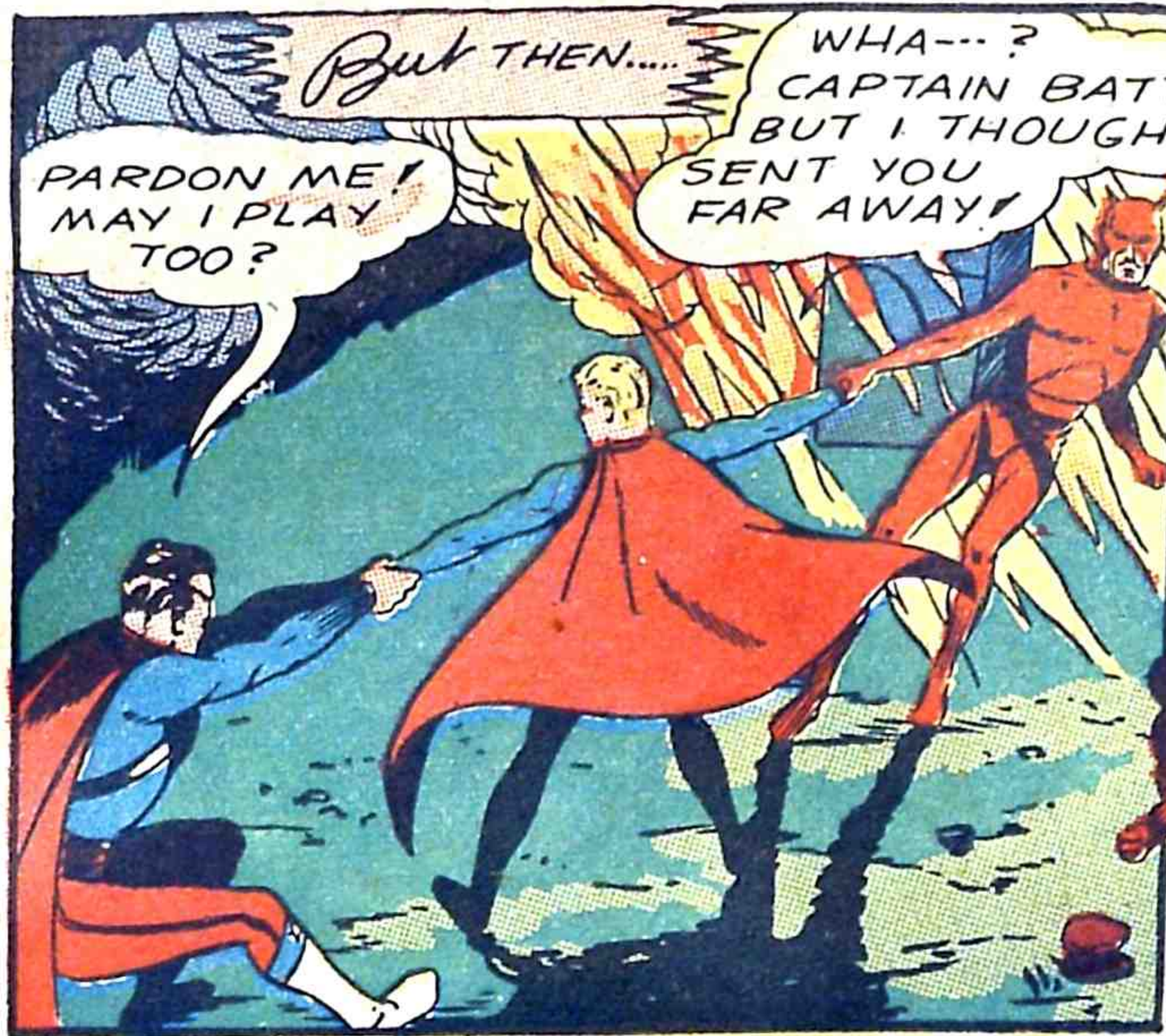
HO, HO, HO! AND WHILE CAPTAIN BATTLE IS ON A WILD GOOSE CHASE, THIS BRAT GETS HIS!

Hale REVIVES, ONLY IN TIME TO FACE A HORRIBLE FATE!

INTO THE FIRE WITH YOU!

WHA--- WHAT IS THIS?





PARDON ME!
MAY I PLAY
TOO?

But THEN....

WHA---?
CAPTAIN BATTLE!
BUT I THOUGHT I
SENT YOU
FAR AWAY!



I RECOGNIZED
YOUR VOICE OVER
THE PHONE,
CHUMP!
AND NOW
I'LL SEND
YOU FAR
AWAY!



ONE BLOW DOESN'T
FINISH SATAN,
CAPTAIN BATTLE!



BUT SIR SATAN'S
RETURN BLOW
IS AIMED, NOT AT
BATTLE, BUT AT
DAZED, BEWILDERED
HALE!

BUT THIS
FINISHES
HALE!

NO!
NO!

YOU CAN'T WIN
AGAINST MY MAGIC,
CAPTAIN BATTLE!
THAT'S ONE THING
YOU CAN'T FIGHT.
GO HOME AND
GIVE UP!



WHY, I'LL---
---I'LL---

HALE! HALE! IT'S NO USE.
HE'S BURNED TO A
CRISP BY NOW!

GIVE UP? NEVER!
I'LL TRACK DOWN
THAT SATAN AND
REVENGE HALE'S
DEATH... IF IT TAKES
TILL DOOM'S DAY!

BUT HALE IS NOT DEAD!
HE FINDS HIMSELF
UNDERGOING A STRANGE
EXPERIENCE....

I DIDN'T GET BURNED!
A TRAP DOOR OPENED
UNDER ME!

THIS CHUTE SLANTS
DOWN FOR A LONG WAYS!
WONDER WHERE IT
COMES OUT?

A HOODED FIGURE
WAITS TO RECEIVE
THE NEW CAPTIVE!

SAYS YOU! I'M TIRED
OF BEING PUSHED
AROUND!

ALL RIGHT,
YOU! COME
WITH ME.

OH, OH!
SOMEONE'S
COMING! I'LL
DRAG THIS
GUY IN THE
CORNER

SO THAT'S HOW
SATAN MADE HIS
"MAGIC" ESCAPE
THROUGH THE
FIRE!

WHERE'S HALE? BUT ONE OF MY MEN MUST HAVE TAKEN HIM AWAY!

WHAT IS THIS PLACE? WHAT'S SATAN'S GAME? HERE GOES, I'M GONNA FIND OUT!

HEY, THIS IS THE OLD, DESERTED CASTLE THAT NOBODY'S LIVED IN FOR YEARS!

PROPAGANDA FILMS! THIS BEGINS TO MAKE SENSE!

AND HERE'S THE PROJECTION ROOM! AND THOSE MEN WATCHING ARE THE MISSING ARMY OFFICIALS!

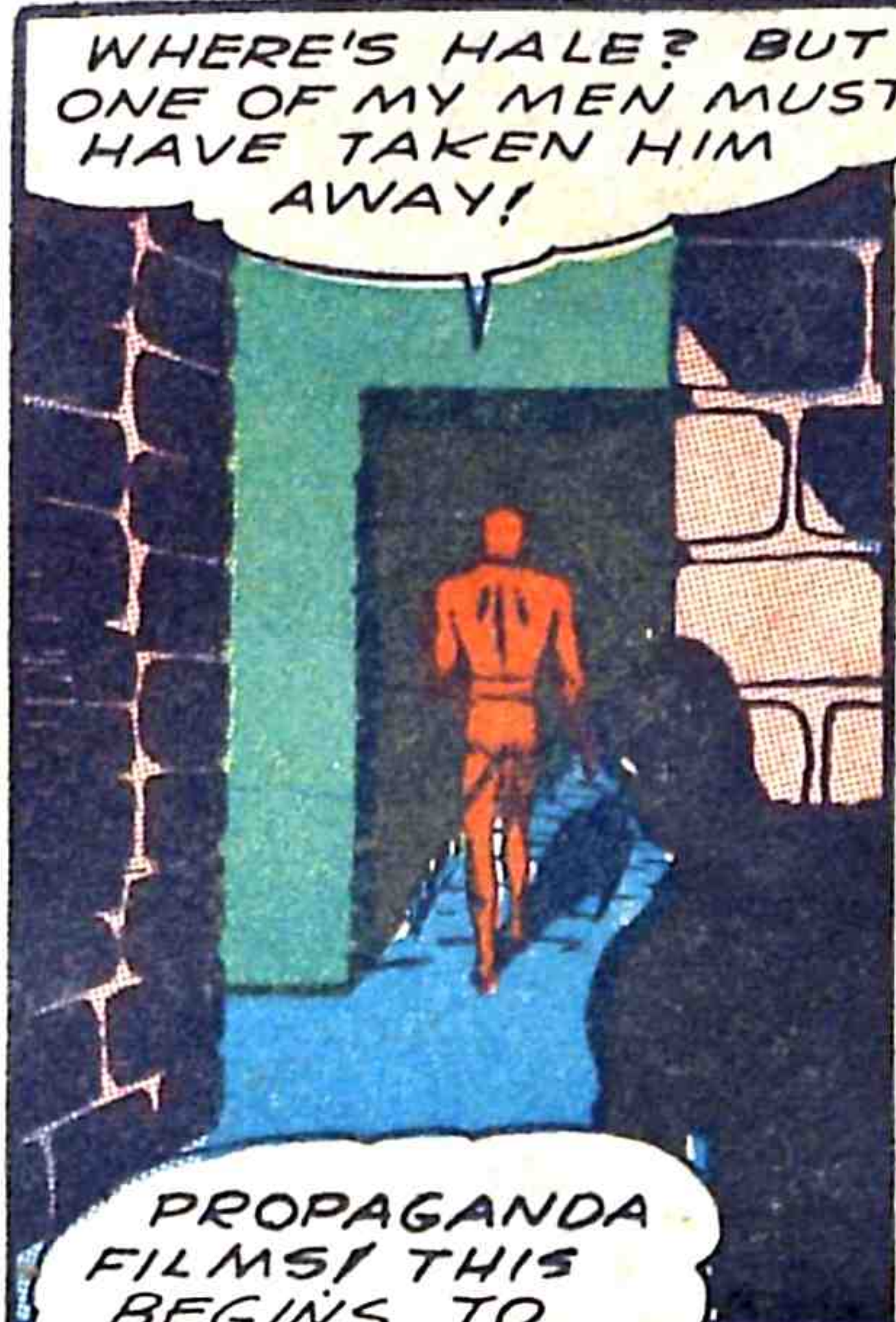
THAT'S THE BLITZKRIEG IN ACTION!

THAT ARMY IS INVINCIBLE!

NOTHING CAN STOP THEM!

REALIZING THE SINISTER SCHEME TO FRIGHTEN THE ARMY OFFICIALS, HALE RUSHES OUT!

DON'T BELIEVE IT! IT'S PROPAGANDA! STOP THAT PROJECTOR!





GRAB THAT SQUEALING BRAT!



NOT SO EASY, IS IT, LUGS?

BUT IN SPITE OF A VALIANT STRUGGLE, HALE IS OVERPOWERED BY NUMBERS.



PRETTY CLEVER, AREN'T YOU, SIR NATAS-- OR SATAN! THE DEVIL-WORSHIPPING STUNT IS JUST TO SCARE PEOPLE OFF, AND MYSTIFY PURSUIT!

YOU KNOW TOO MUCH-- FOR YOUR HEALTH!

GO AHEAD, SHOOT! I'M NOT AFRAID TO DIE THERE'S STILL CAPTAIN BATTLE LEFT TO GET YOU!



CAPTAIN BATTLE? HE THINKS YOU'RE DEAD! AND HE'S GIVEN UP AGAINST MY "MAGIC," HO, HO, HO!

But HIGH IN THE SKY, OUTSIDE... A VENGEFUL FIGURE SEARCHES RELENTLESSLY...



THERE'S A LIGHT IN THE OLD CASTLE THIS MUST BE THEIR HIDE-OUT!

IT'S HALE'S SILHOUETTE. HE'S ALIVE! BUT IF I DON'T ACT FAST, HE'LL BE DEAD IN ANOTHER SECOND!





AND LIKE A ONE-MAN PANZER DIVISION, THE MIGHTY CAPTAIN BATTLE MAKES HIS ENTRANCE!

HI YA, CAP!

EXCUSE ME FOR BUSTING IN THIS WAY!

YOU DEVIL! CAN'T YOU EVER STAY AWAY FROM ME?



AFRAID NOT, SATAN. I LIKE YOUR CHIN TOO MUCH!



OOPS, MY FOOT SLIPPED! C'MON, MEN, LET'S CLEAN UP!

RIGHT!



YEOW! HOW DO YOU LIKE OUR BLITZKRIEG, RATS?



HERE'S YOUR PROPAGANDA BACK--- THE HARD WAY!



AFTER THIS BLITZKRIEG, THE OTHER ONE DOESN'T SCARE ME ANY MORE!

LOOK AT CAP GO TO TOWN WITH SATAN!



AS I WAS SAYING, SATAN, I LIKE YOUR CHIN!

SPLAT!

WHEN THE ECHOES HAVE DIED AWAY.....

RADIUM PAINT! THAT'S WHY HE GLOWED. THE DEVIL-WORSHIPPING STUNT WAS TO SCARE PEOPLE OFF, AND MYSTIFY PURSUIT.



HIS REAL GAME ALL THE WHILE WAS TO SPREAD POISONOUS PROPAGANDA THROUGH GOVERNMENT CIRCLES. HE WAS PAID BY THE NAZIS!

AND PAID OFF BY CAPTAIN BATTLE!

THANKS, CAPTAIN BATTLE!

YOU SAVED ARMY MORALE!

at HILLTOP LABORATORY, IN HALE'S ROOM...

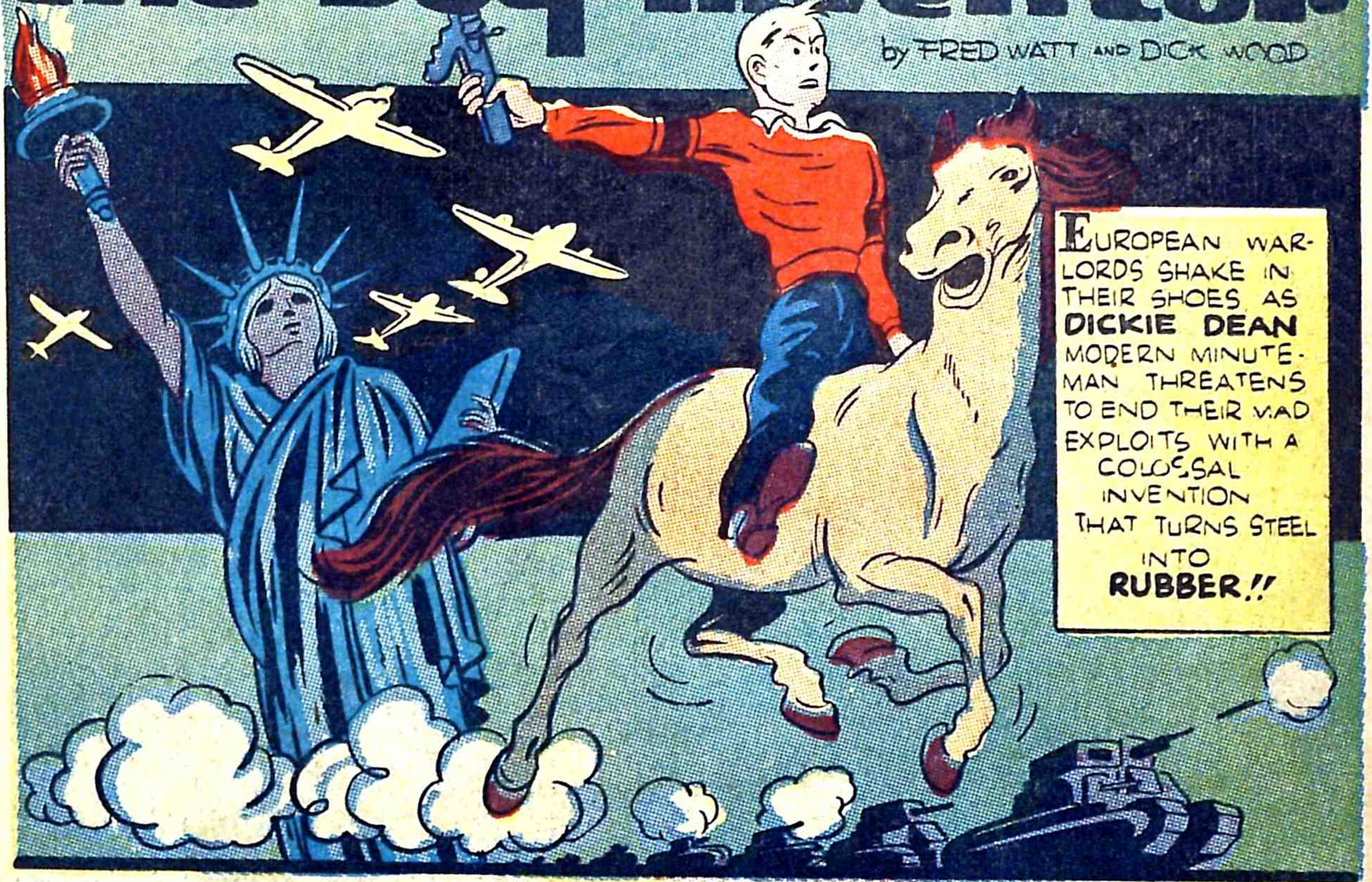
HOW DOES IT LOOK FOR YOUR BEST, A SOUVENIR, I'D SAY, JANE? HALE!

BUT YOU HAVEN'T SEEN ANYTHING YET, BOYS AND GIRLS! FASTER AND FASTER, HALE'S SOUVENIR SHELF IS BECOMING FILLED, AS WITH THE INVINCIBLE CAPTAIN BATTLE, THE CRUSADE AGAINST THE FOES OF AMERICA CONTINUES!

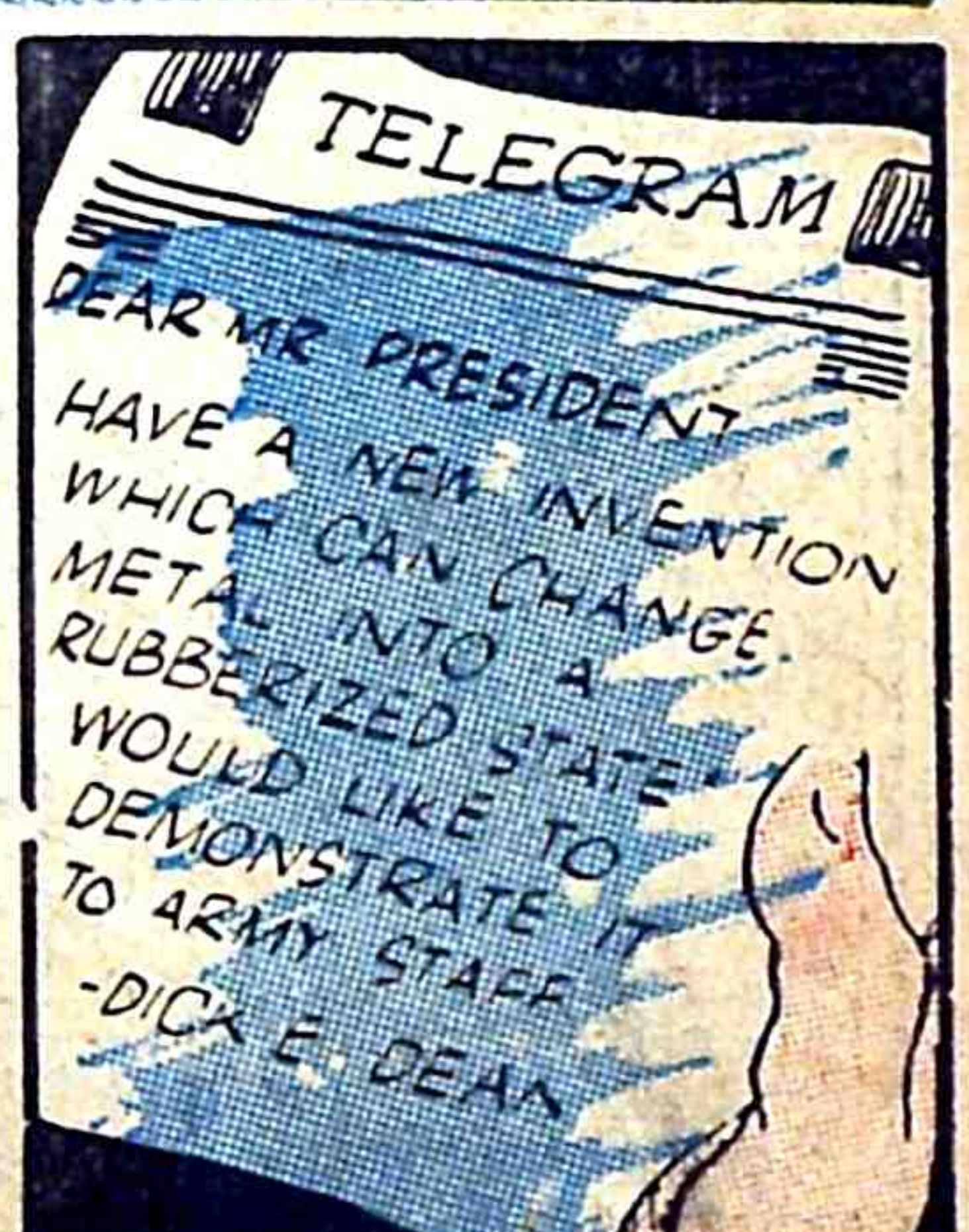
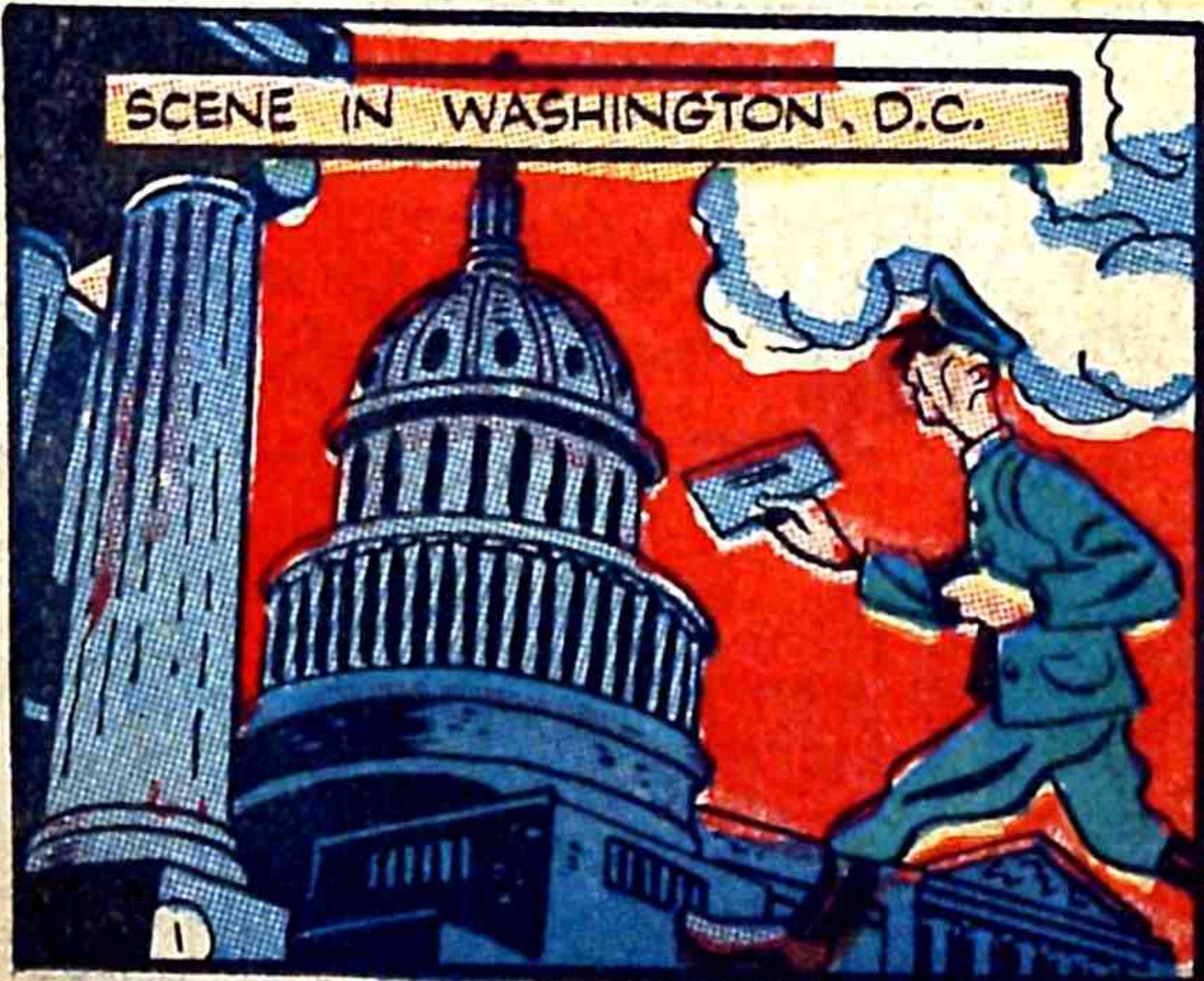
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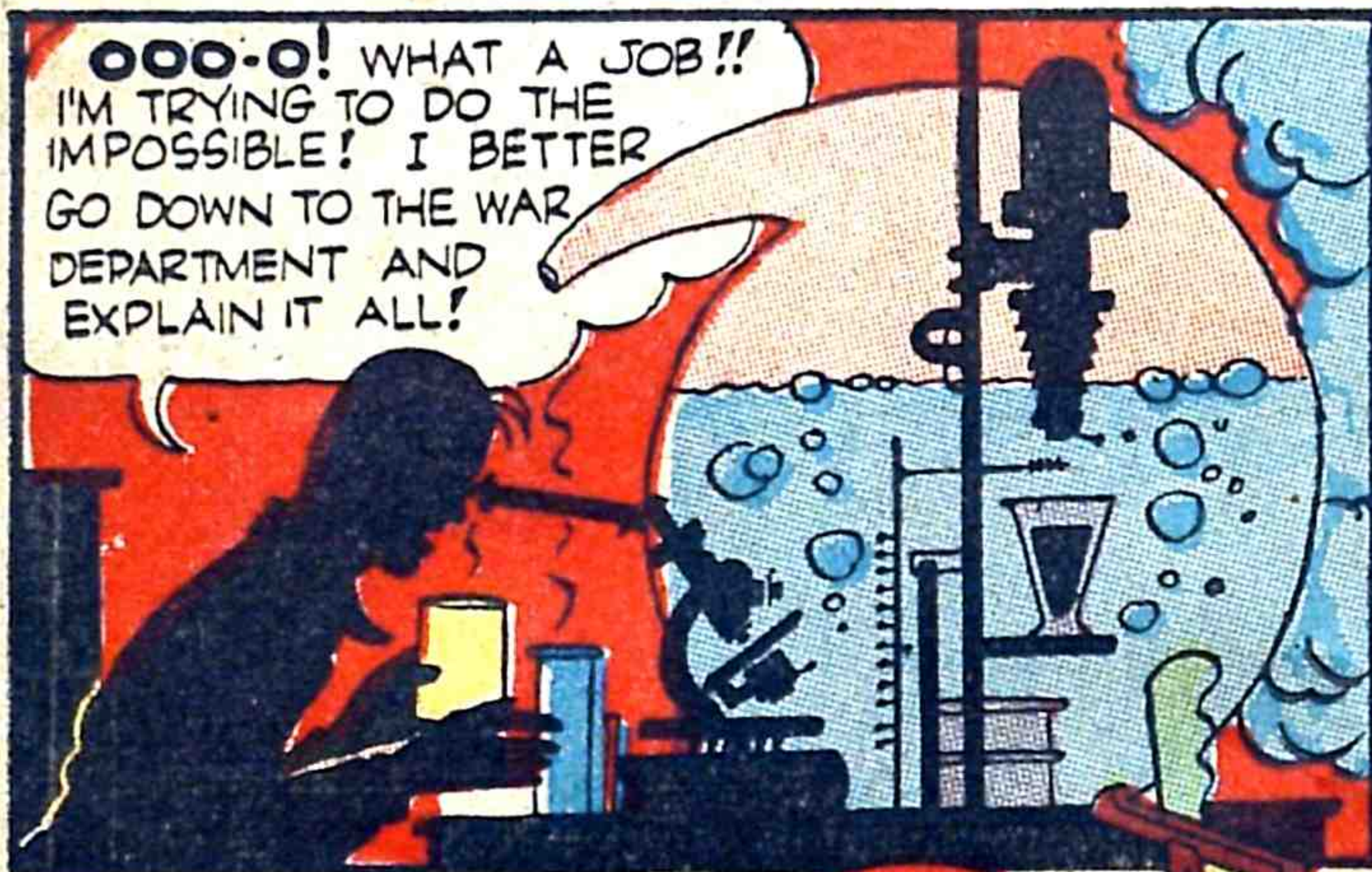
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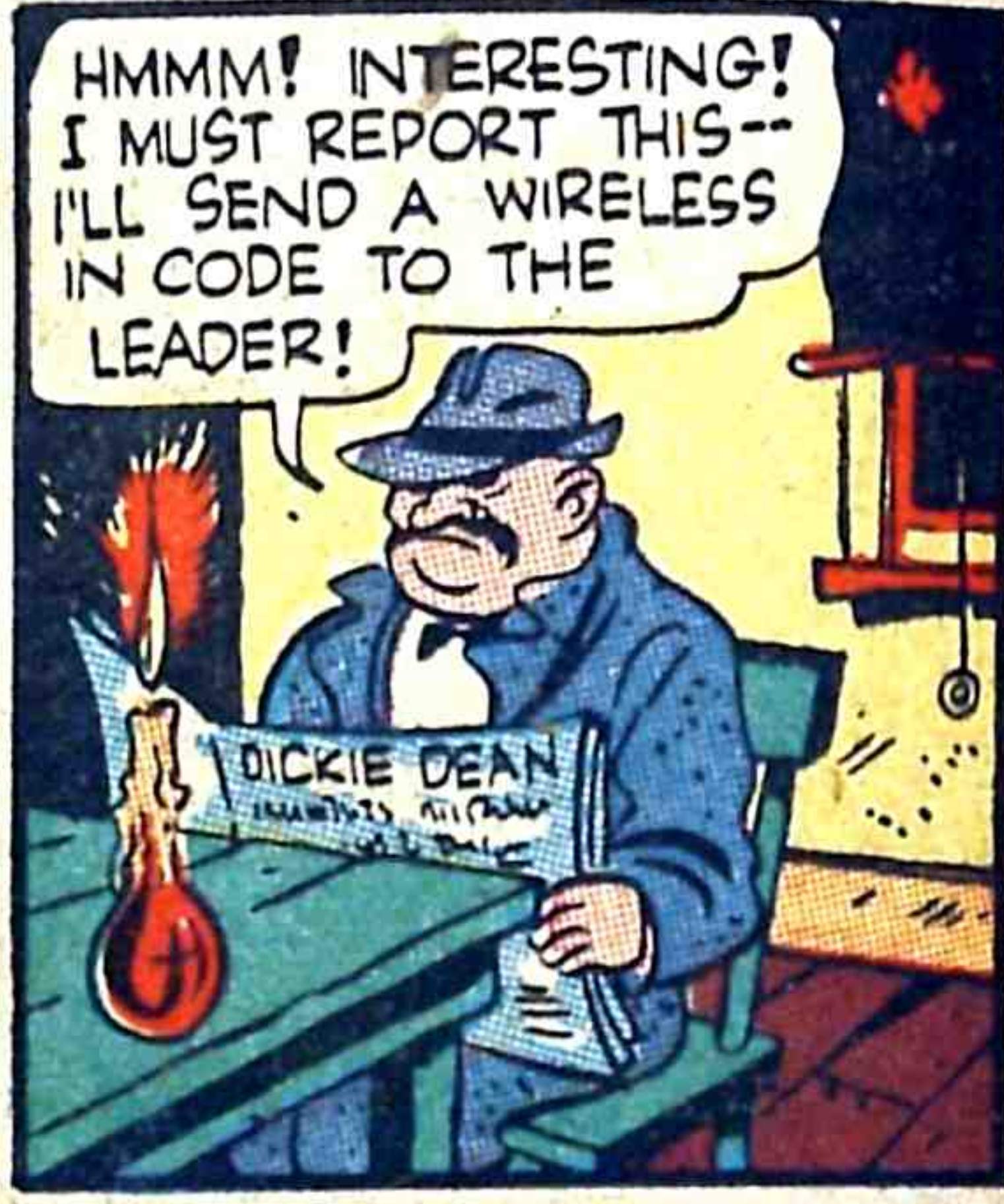


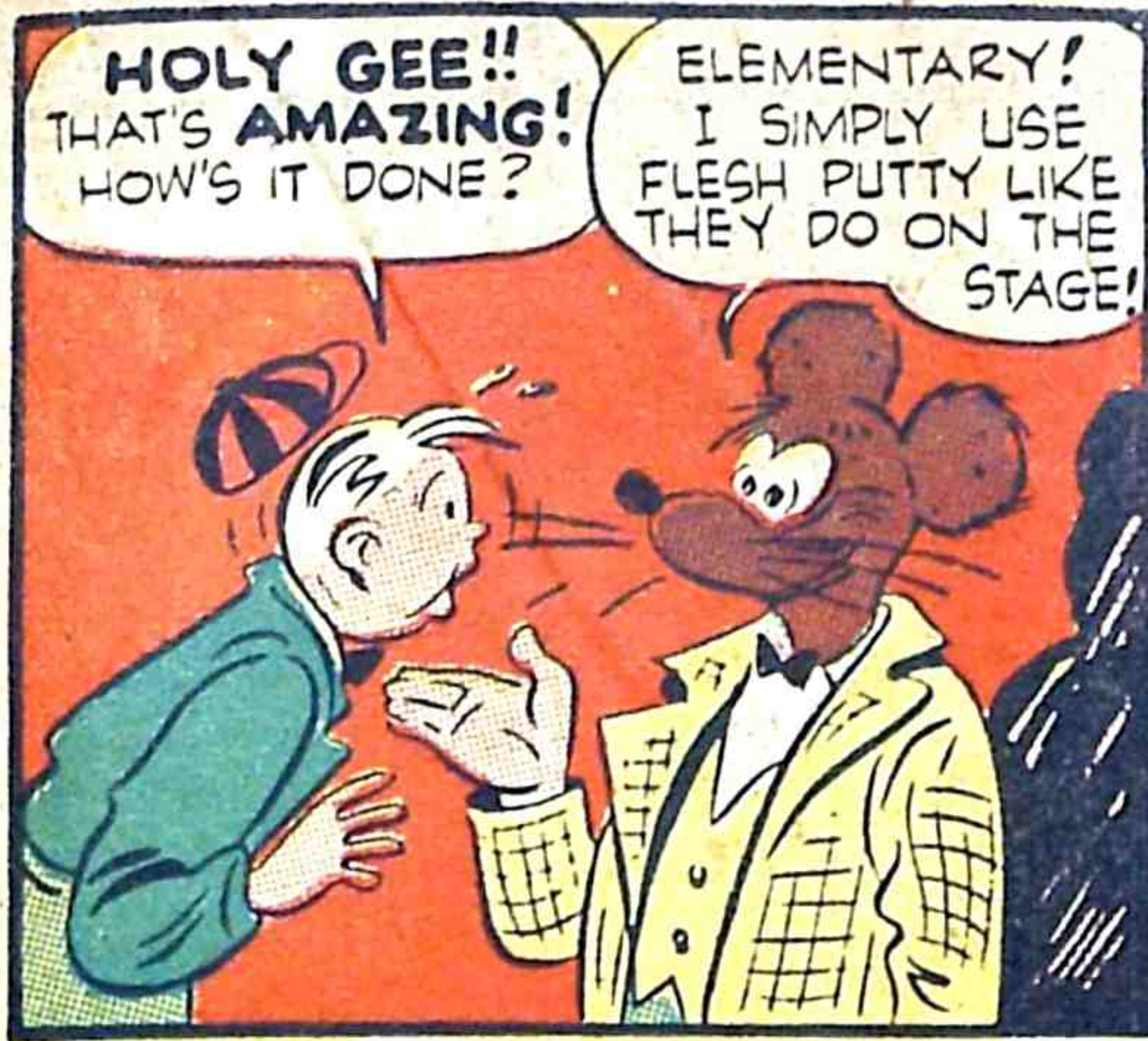
EUROPEAN WAR-LORDS SHAKE IN THEIR SHOES AS **DICKIE DEAN** MODERN MINUTE-MAN THREATENS TO END THEIR MAD EXPLOITS WITH A COLOSSAL INVENTION THAT TURNS STEEL INTO **RUBBER!!**





-MEANWHILE- A SINISTER FIGURE IN AN OLD TENEMENT HOUSE EAGERLY READS THE NEWS OF DICKIE'S INVENTION- FOR HE IS NAZI SECRET AGENT 'K9'



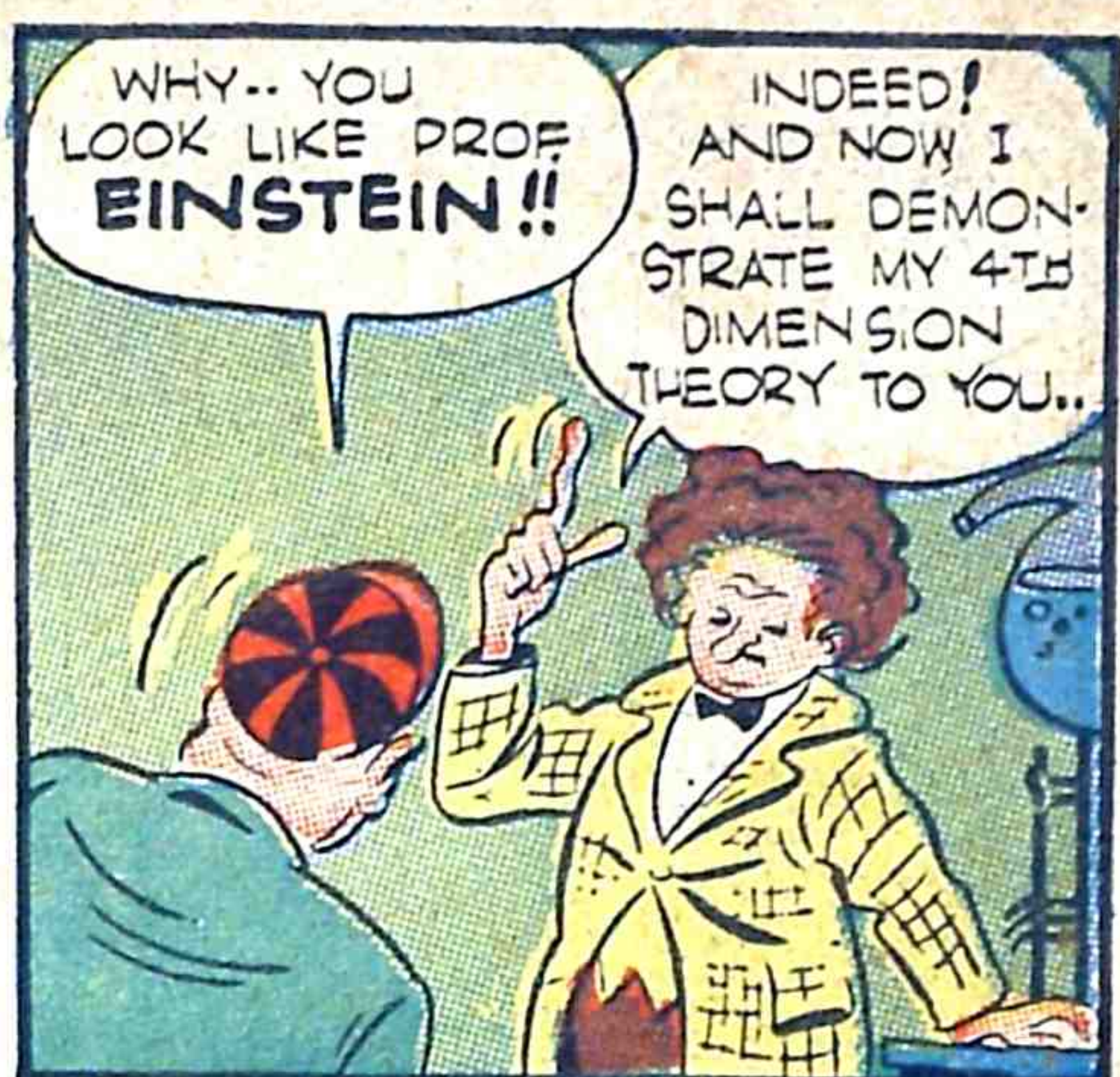


HOLY GEE!! THAT'S AMAZING! HOW'S IT DONE?

ELEMENTARY! I SIMPLY USE FLESH PUTTY LIKE THEY DO ON THE STAGE!



AND NOW FOR MY MASTER-PIECE--WATCH!



WHY.. YOU LOOK LIKE PROF. EINSTEIN!!

INDEED! AND NOW I SHALL DEMONSTRATE MY 4TH DIMENSION THEORY TO YOU..



HEY! CUT IT OUT! DON'T MESS UP THOSE CHEMICALS! THEY'RE DANGEROUS!

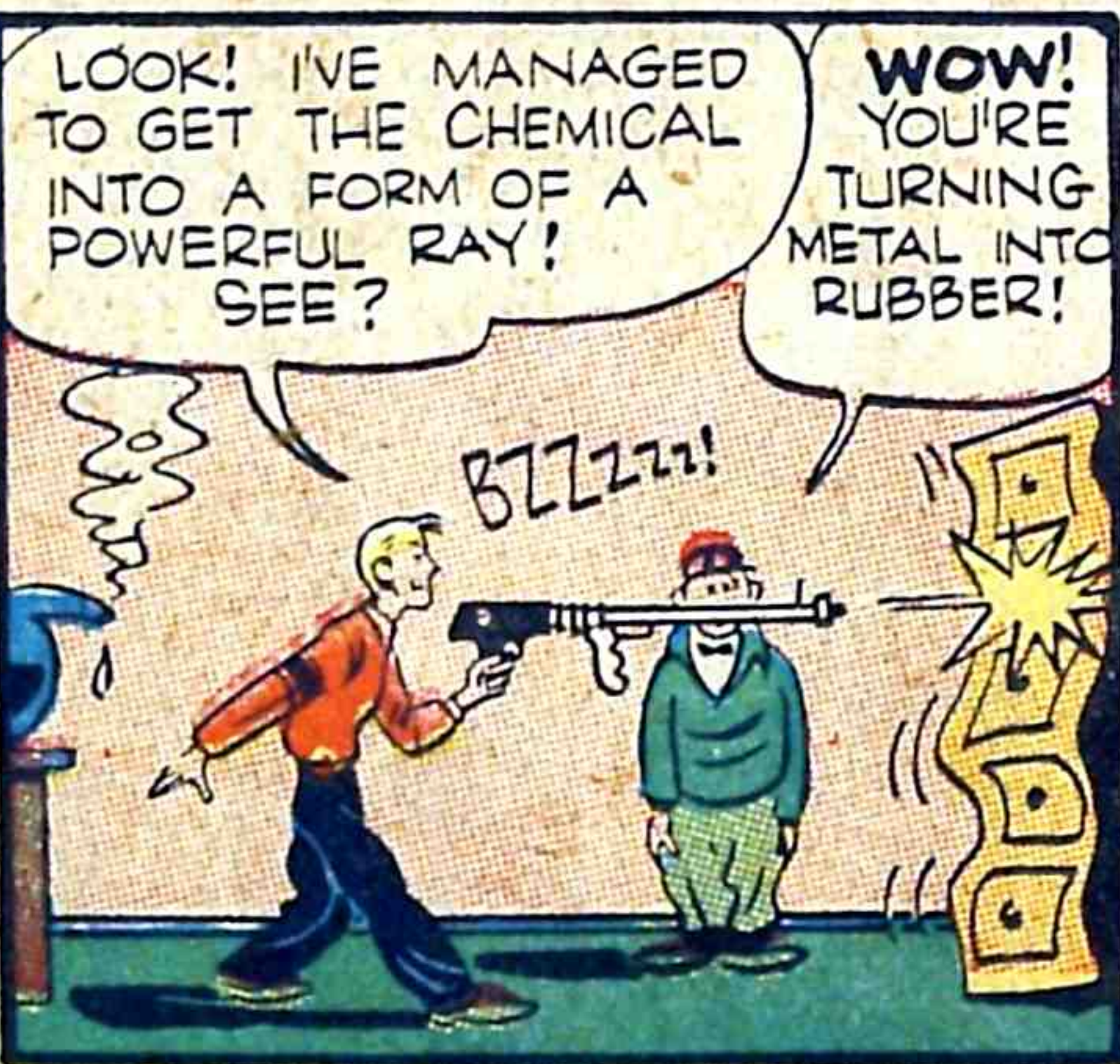
SO! - I'LL MIX ALL THIS JUNK TOGETHER AND-- OOO -OW! MY HANDS BURNING!



YIPPEE!! LOOKA THAT! THIS METAL TABLE IS REACTING TO THE CHEMICALS YOU SPILT! IT'S ALMOST AS FLEXIBLE AS ELASTIC!

OH

A MERE HANDFUL OF HOURS PASS DURING WHICH DICKIE PERFECTS THE ACCIDENTLY DISCOVERED FORMULA !!



LOOK! I'VE MANAGED TO GET THE CHEMICAL INTO A FORM OF A POWERFUL RAY! SEE?

WOW! YOU'RE TURNING METAL INTO RUBBER!

BZZZZ!



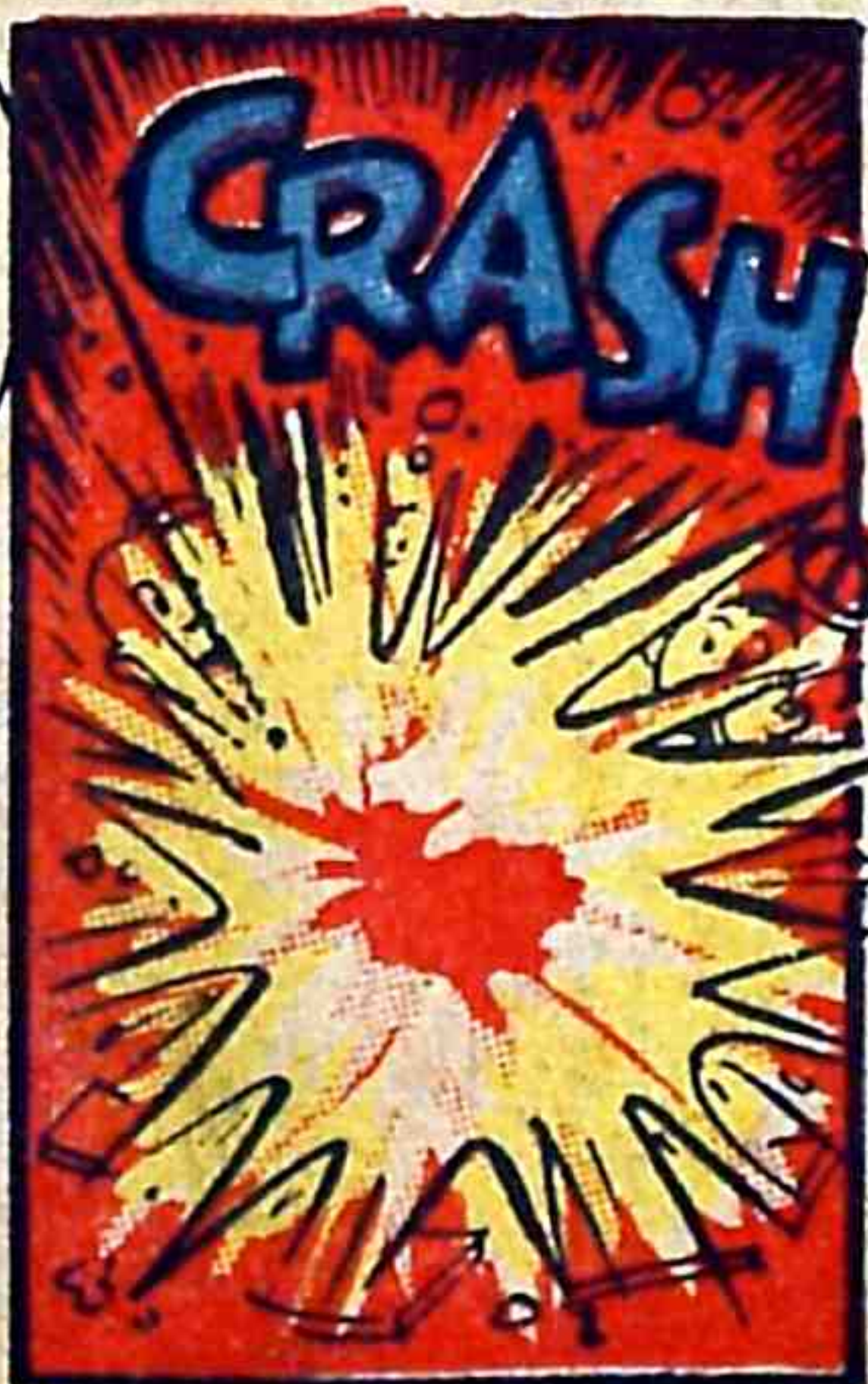
DON'T BE SILLY! THAT'S NOT POSSIBLE! THIS RAY SIMPLY CAUSES A MOLECULAR BREAK-DOWN, THUS MAKING METAL WEAK AND FLABBY! C'MON--OR WE'LL BE LATE FOR OUR APPOINTMENT WITH THE ARMY STAFF!

LET'S TAKE THE 'SKY BUGGY' SO WE'LL GET THERE FAST.



MIND IF I DRIVE TODAY? I'M FAMILIAR WITH THE CONTROLS BY NOW.

O.K., BUT BE CAREFUL! I'VE GEARED HER UP TO 9'80 R.P.M.



CRASH



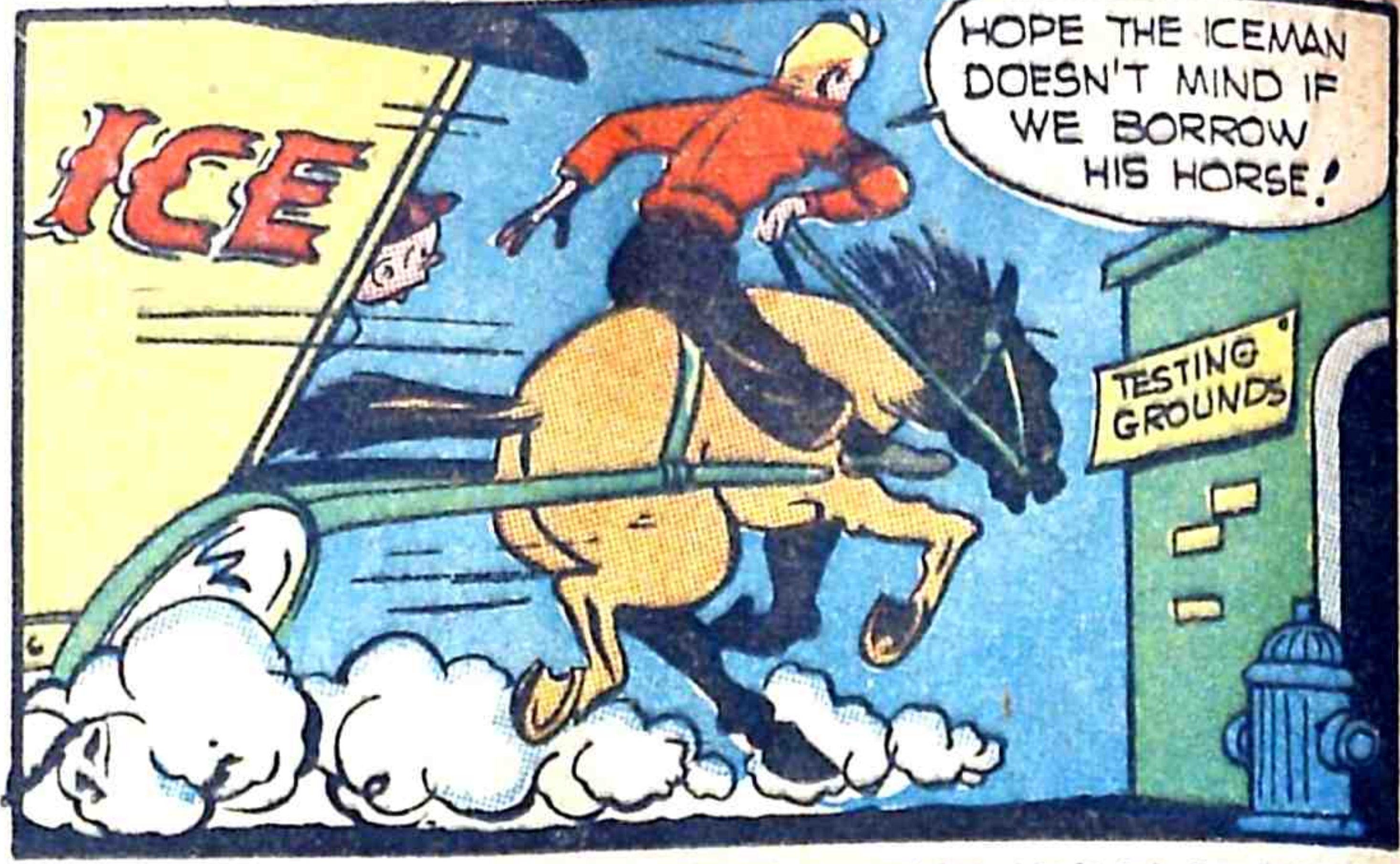
ER-- THE SKY BUGGY IS --ER-- SLIGHTLY DAMAGED!

SO I SUSPECT! BOY--AT THE RATE AT WHICH YOU WRECK THESE THINGS I OUGHTA BUILD THEM ON AN ASSEMBLY-LINE SYSTEM!



HECK! NOW WE'LL BE LATE!

OH NO, WE WON'T! I SEE SOMETHING THAT CAN PINCH-HIT FOR THE SKY BUGGY!



HOPE THE ICEMAN DOESN'T MIND IF WE BORROW HIS HORSE!



NEVER MIND THE INTERVIEW, CORPORAL! EVERYTHING'S SET TO GIVE THEIR IDEA THE ACID TEST!

?



DON'T ASK QUESTIONS! JUST TRY TO STOP THOSE TEN-TON TANKS!

THEE THEE!

HUH?



WELL, AW' RIGHT IF YOU INSIST!

TZEEW!



WH...WHY THAT'S AMAZING! THOSE TANKS ARE THE NEAREST THING TO A BATTLESHIP! YET, NOW THEY'RE JUST HEAPS OF SOFT GOO!

ALL EXCEPT THE MEN! THE RAY DOES NOT HARM FLESH!



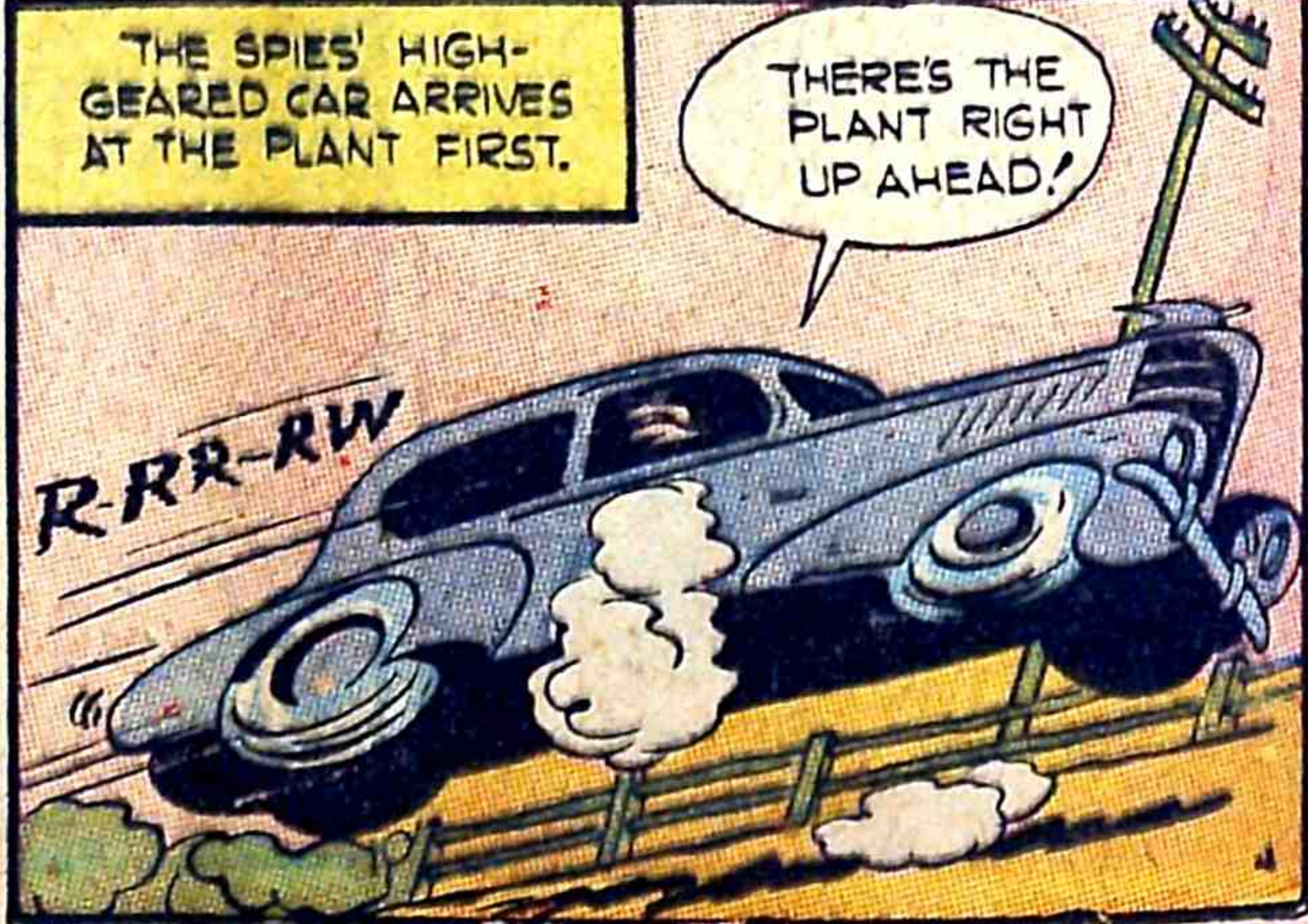
THE DEVICE HAS PERFORMED FEATS BEYOND OUR WILDEST EXPECTATIONS! WE MUST START MANUFACTURING IT IMMEDIATELY! LET'S GO TO AKMEE STEEL CORPORATION AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS WITH THEM!



MEANWHILE NEARBY...

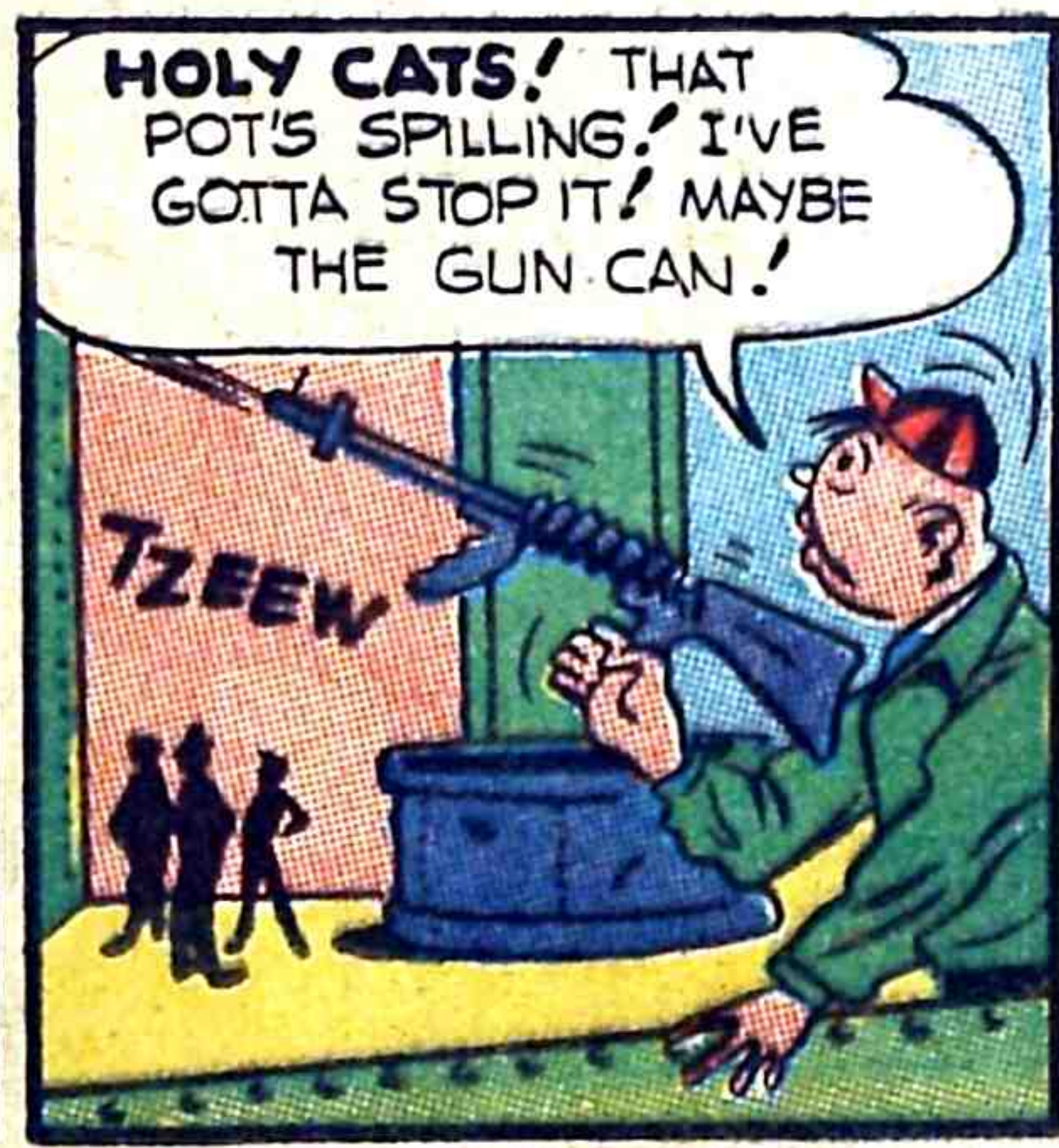
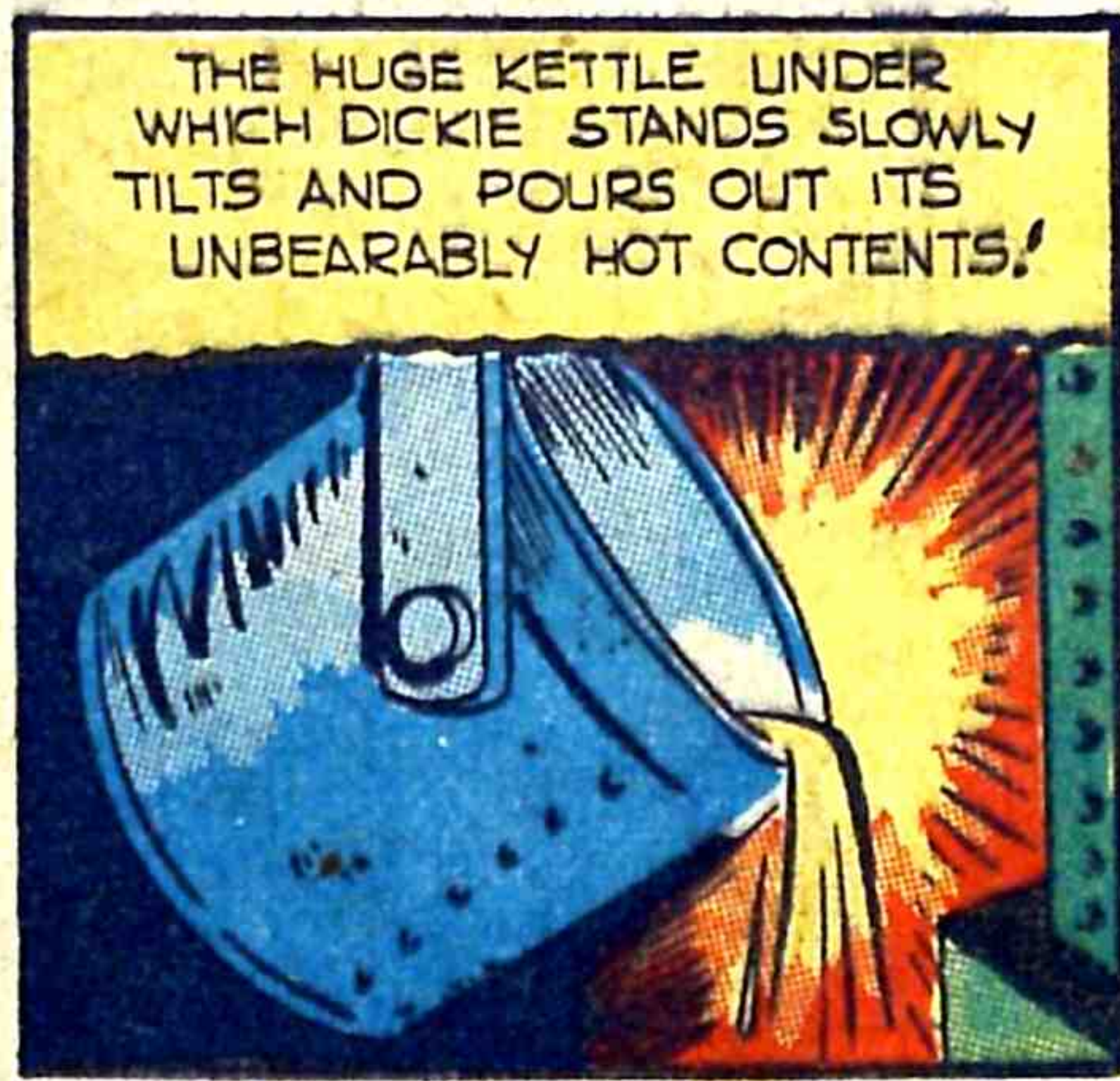
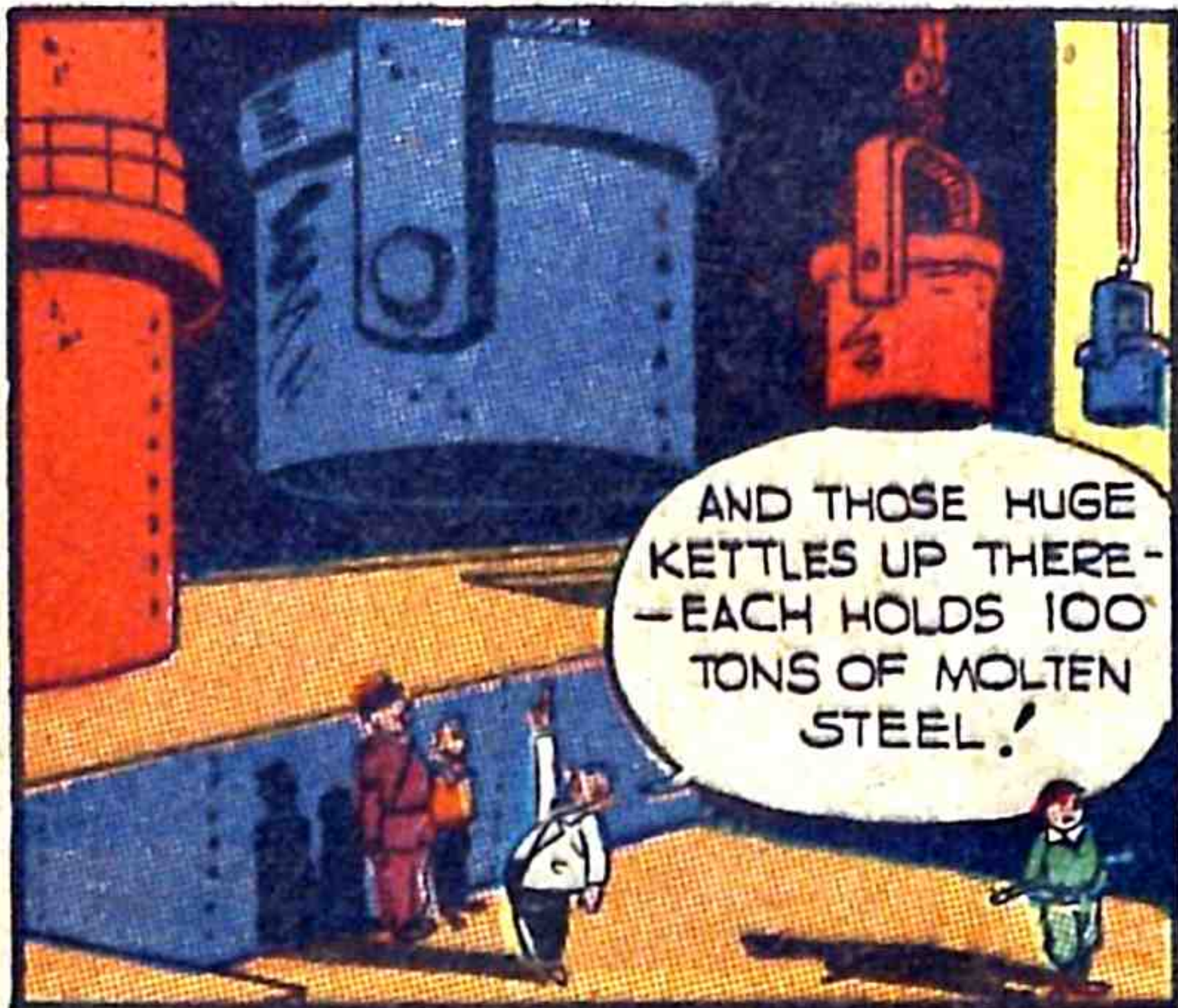
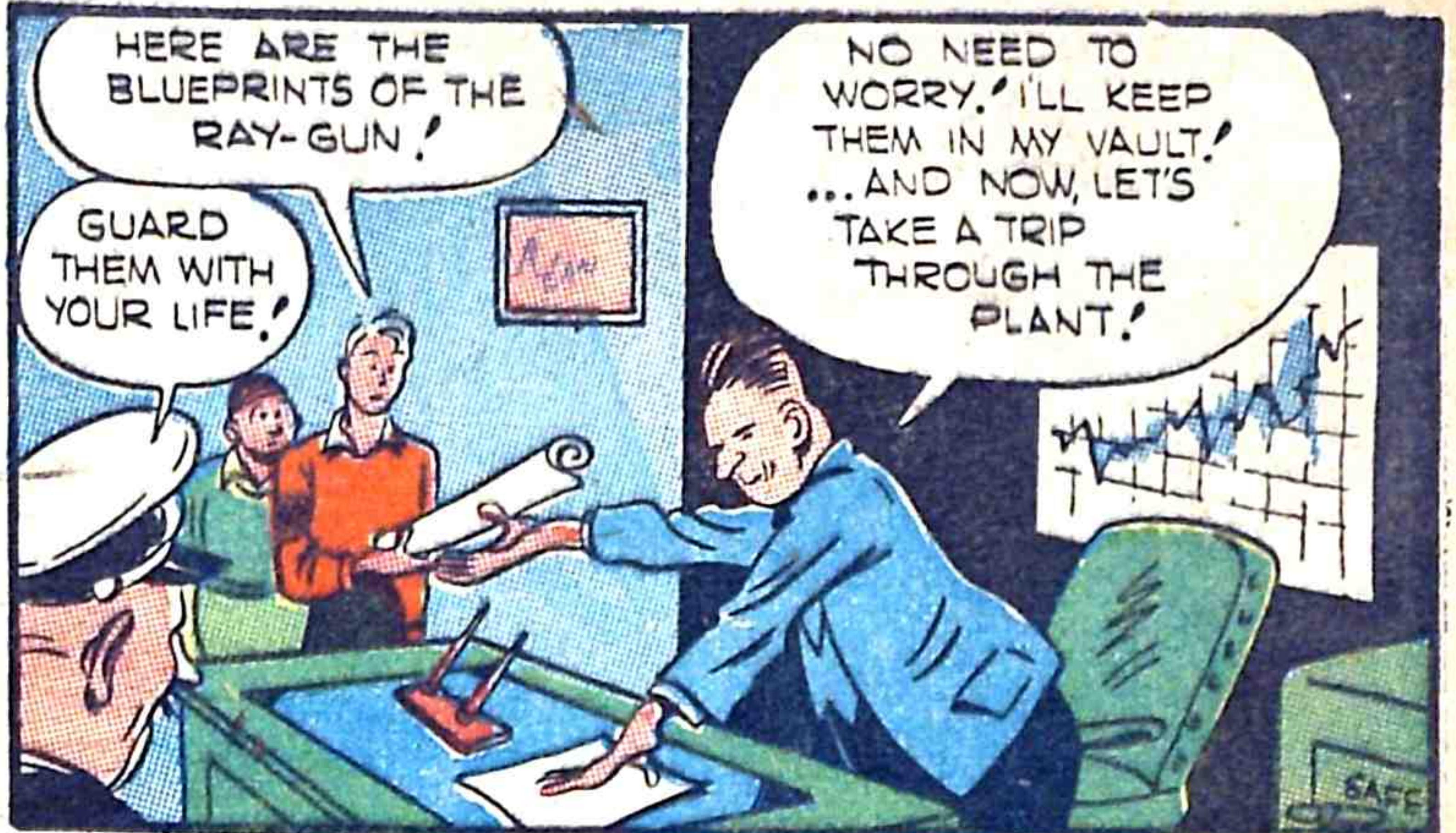
SEE THAT, K-9? WITH SUCH A WEAPON, THE FUHRER COULD WIN THE WAR WITHIN A WEEK!

CERTAINLY! THAT'S WHY WE MUST BEAT THEM TO THE STEEL PLANT AND PREPARE A WELCOME FOR THEM!



THE SPIES' HIGH-GEARED CAR ARRIVES AT THE PLANT FIRST.

THERE'S THE PLANT RIGHT UP AHEAD!

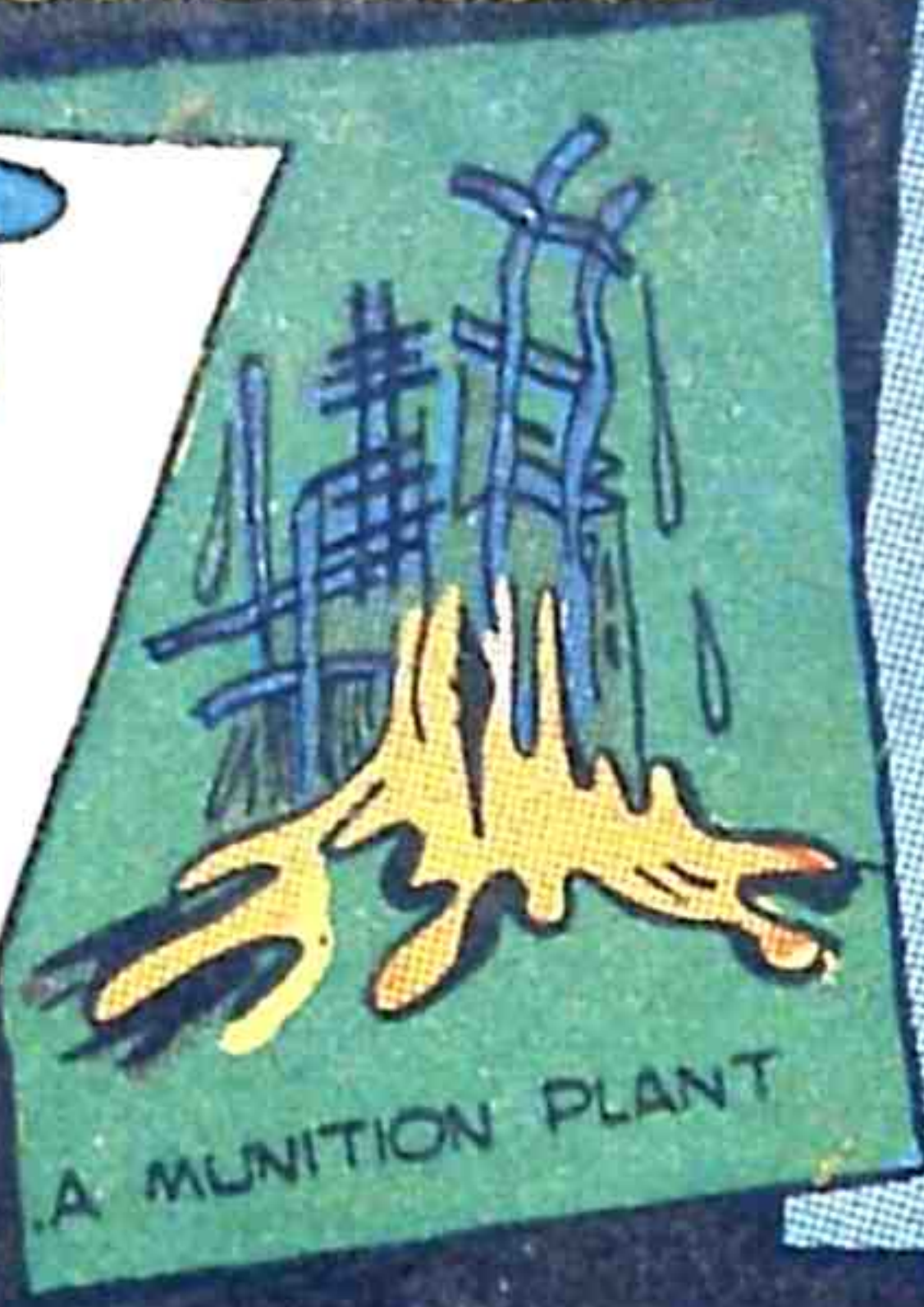


FOLLOWED BY THE DESTRUCTION OF.....

..AN AIRCRAFT FACTORY...



A MUNITION PLANT



..A METAL SMELTING PLANT..



..AND A HYDRO-ELECTRIC DYNAMO..



GOSH! IF THEY CAN DO ALL THIS IN ONE DAY, WHAT'LL THEY DO IN A WHOLE MONTH?

I'D HATE TO GUESS!



THE NEXT DAY DESTRUCTION TAKES AN EVEN GREATER TOLL!



AW, I'LL NEVER FIND THE SPIES THIS WAY! I'LL HAVE TO BUILD A NEW SKY BUGGY!



RAMBLING RUGGLES!

WHERE DID YOU COME FROM?

I'VE BEEN SHADOWING YOU KIDS UNTIL ZIP WAS SNATCHED! I FOLLOWED THE SPIES AND FOUND THEIR HIDE-OUT!



I'M REALLY AN F.B.I. AGENT! THE GOVERNMENT ORDERED ME TO GUARD YOU WHILE YOU'RE WORKING ON DEFENSE WEAPONS! C'MON, LET'S ROUND UP SOME MORE COPS AN' RESCUE ZIP!



NOW, STAND BY... I'LL DISGUISE MY VOICE! AS SOON AS THEY LET ME IN, FOLLOW ME AND WE'LL MOP 'EM UP!

OPEN UP BOYS! THIS IS SPIKE!



COME IN!

YOU BET WE WILL!

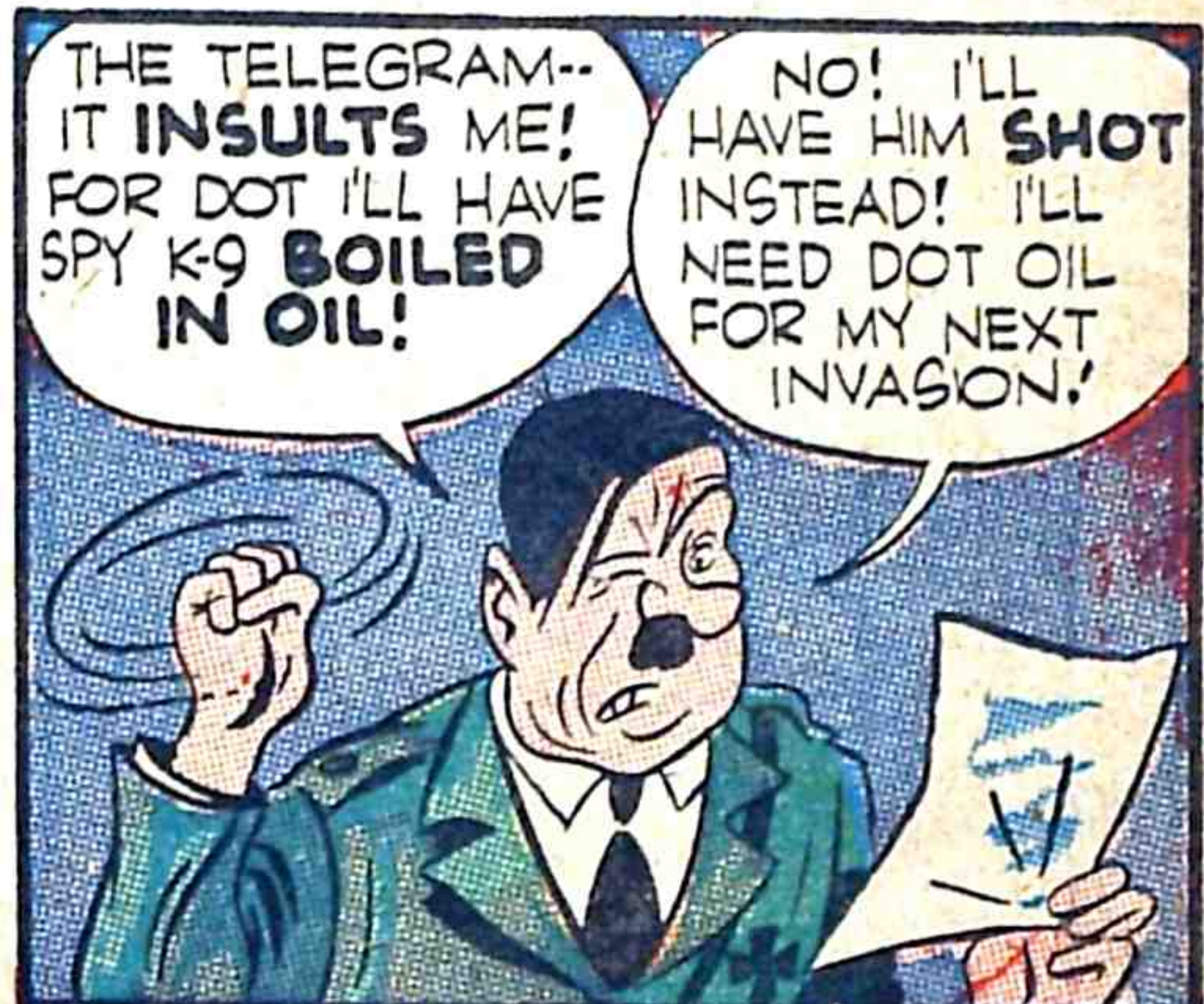
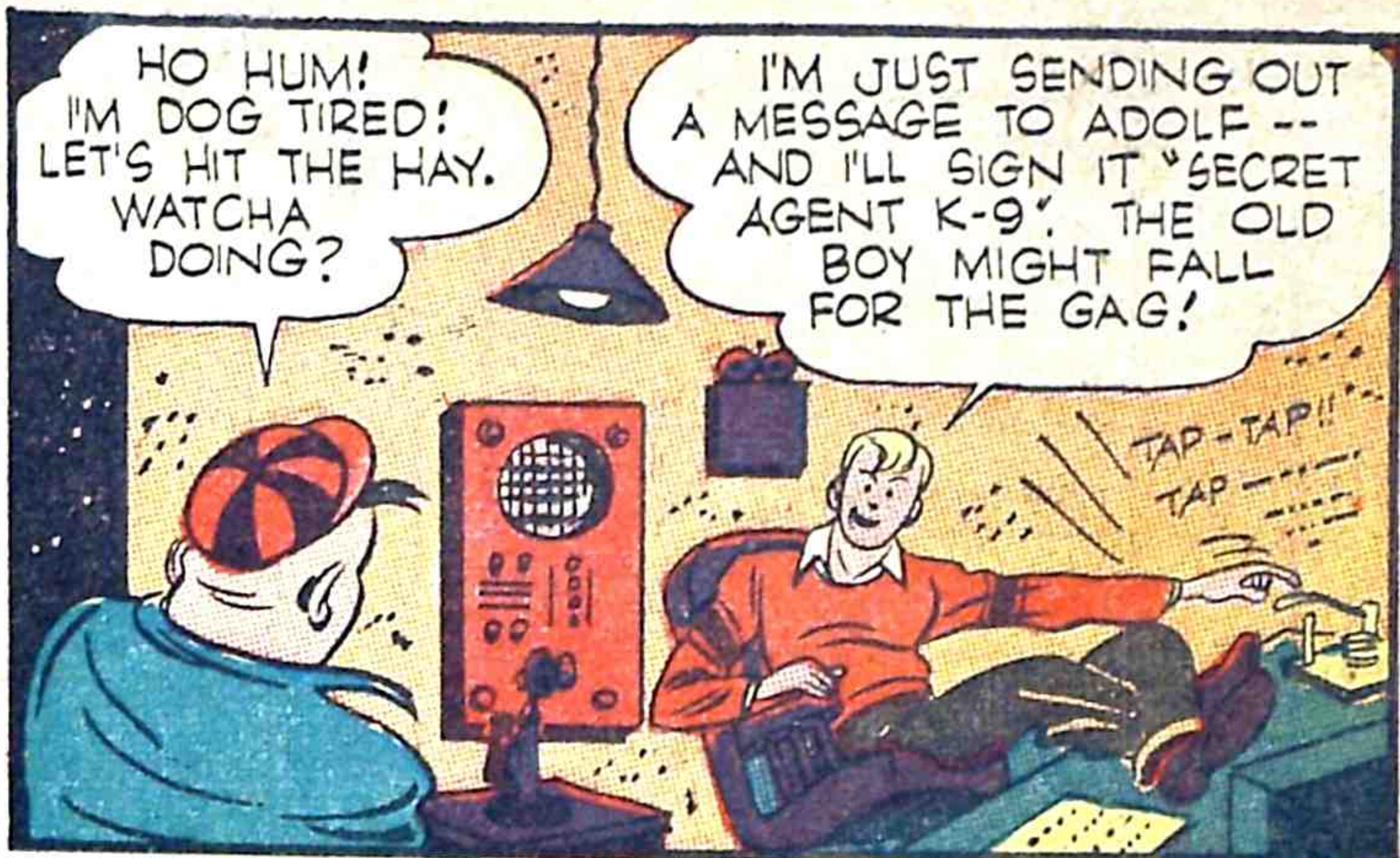
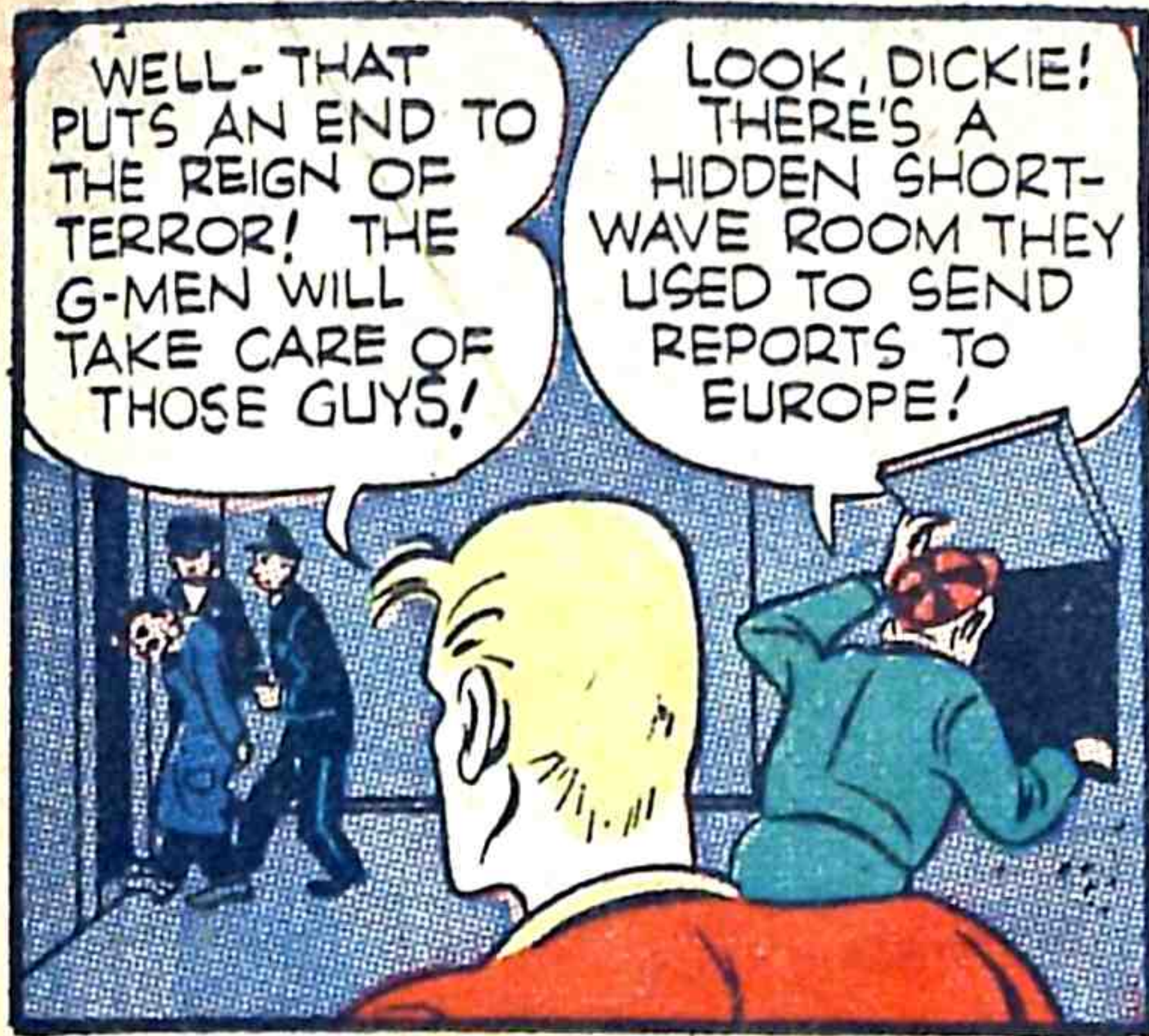
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HOLY CATS! THE SCRAPS OVER! ZIP BEAT US TO THE PUNCH!

JEEPERS! THEY WOULD ALL PASS OUT ON ME JUST WHEN I WAS REALLY GETTING WARMED UP!

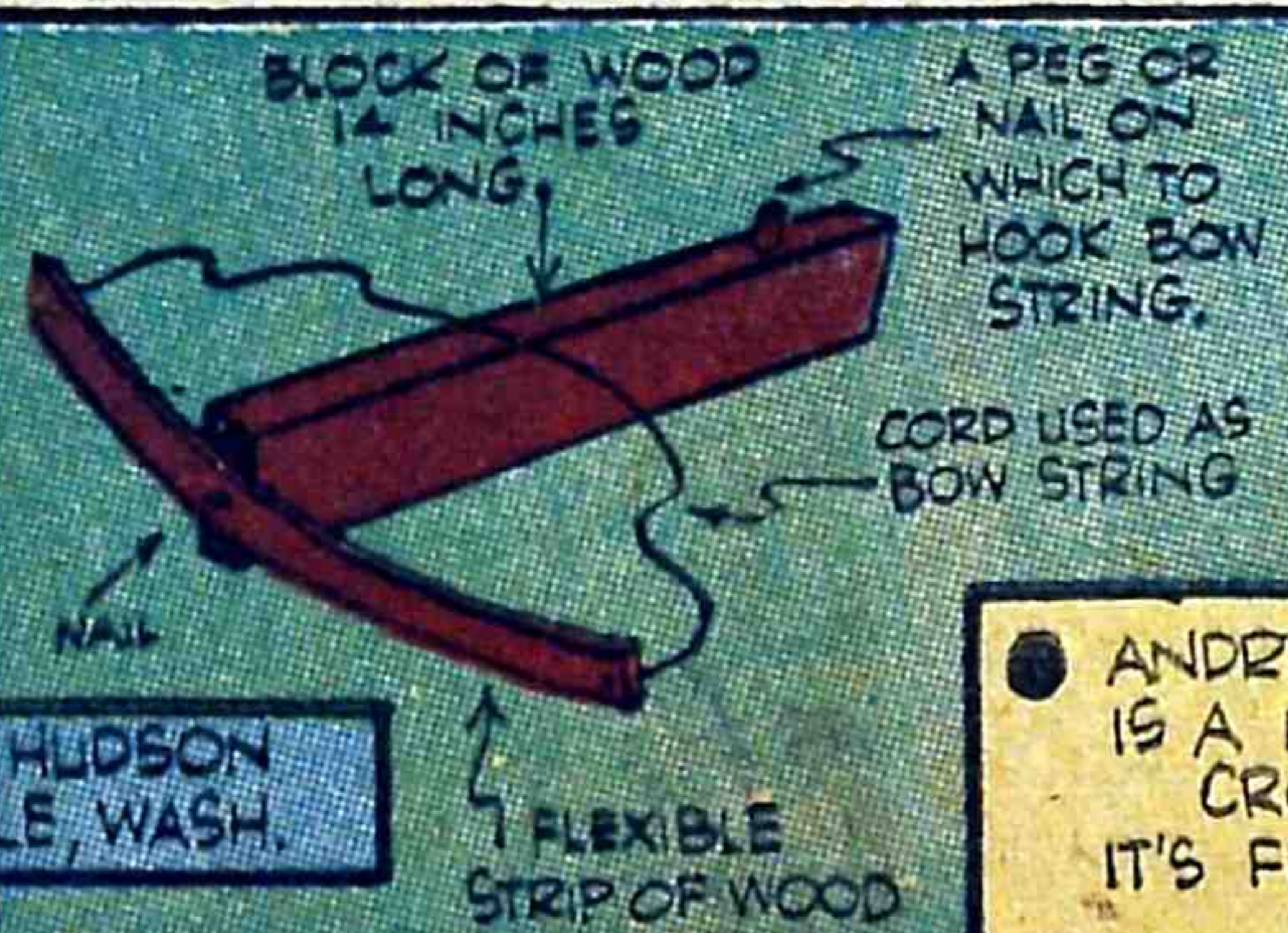




DICKIE DEAN'S INVENTION CONTEST-

EVERY MONTH WE PUBLISH THE MOST CLEVER INVENTION SENT IN BY OUR READERS. THIS MONTH'S WINNER WAS MAILED IN

by: **ANDREW HUDSON of SEATTLE, WASH.**



- HONORABLE MENTIONS:
- A. GREEN
 - G. TUVIM
 - J. FRANK
 - B. COMDEN
 - A. HAMMER

ANDREW'S INVENTION IS A MODERNIZED CROSS BOW! IT'S FUN! BUILD IT!

WELL, FOLKS-- DON'T FORGET YOU HAVE ANOTHER DATE WITH US NEXT MONTH IN-



PRIVATE PENNYFEATHER



LATE AGAIN, PENNYFEATHER.
AND YOU LOOK LIKE YOU'VE
BEEN RASSLING A BEAR.

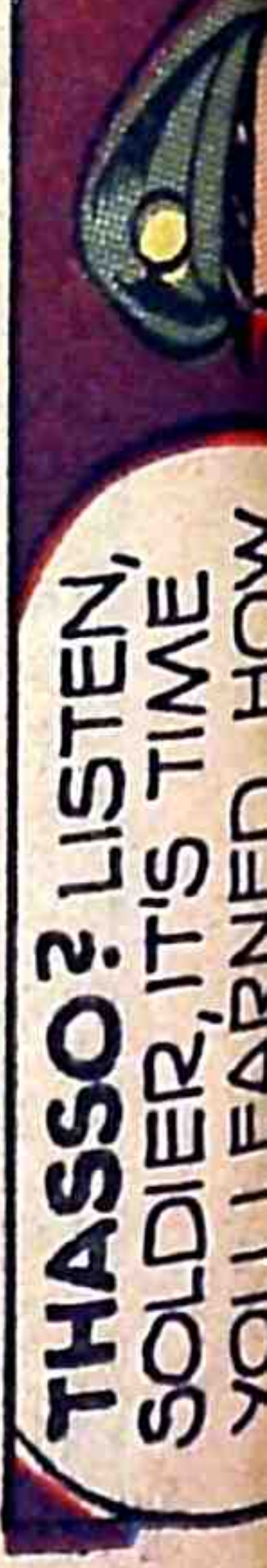


YOU'RE A
DISGRACE TO THE
ARMY! BACK TO
THE BARRACKS
AND SHAVE!

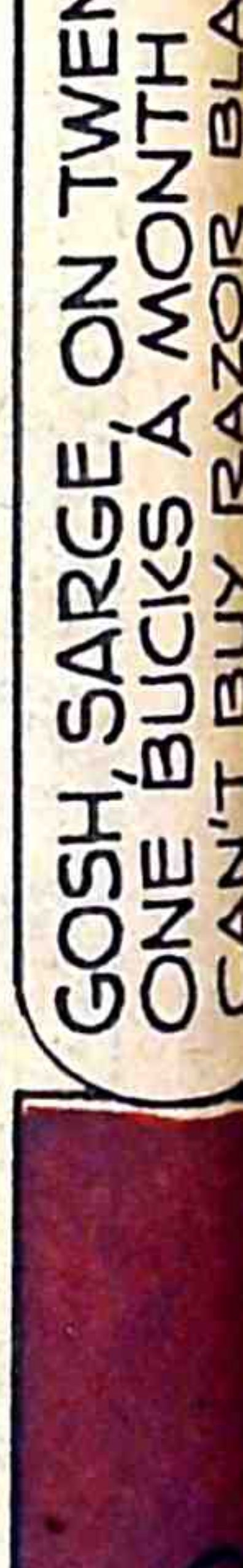


WHAT'S THE
TROUBLE, PENNY?
OLD SARGE GOT
YOUR GOAT?

AW THAT OLD
GRIZZLY BEAR!
HE WOULDN'T
BE SO TOUGH
IF HE MADE
ONLY TWENTY
ONE BUCKS A
MONTH AND HAD
MY BEARD!



THASSO? LISTEN,
SOLDIER, IT'S TIME
YOU'VE EARNED HOW



GOSH, SARGE, ON TWENTY
ONE BUCKS A MONTH I
CAN'T BUY RAZOR BLADES



USE MARLIN BLADES!
YOU GET TWENTY
FOR A QUARTER!

TO HANDLE YOUR DOUGH!



AND MOVIE TICKETS TOO!



IS THAT ALL THAT'S TROUBLING YOU?

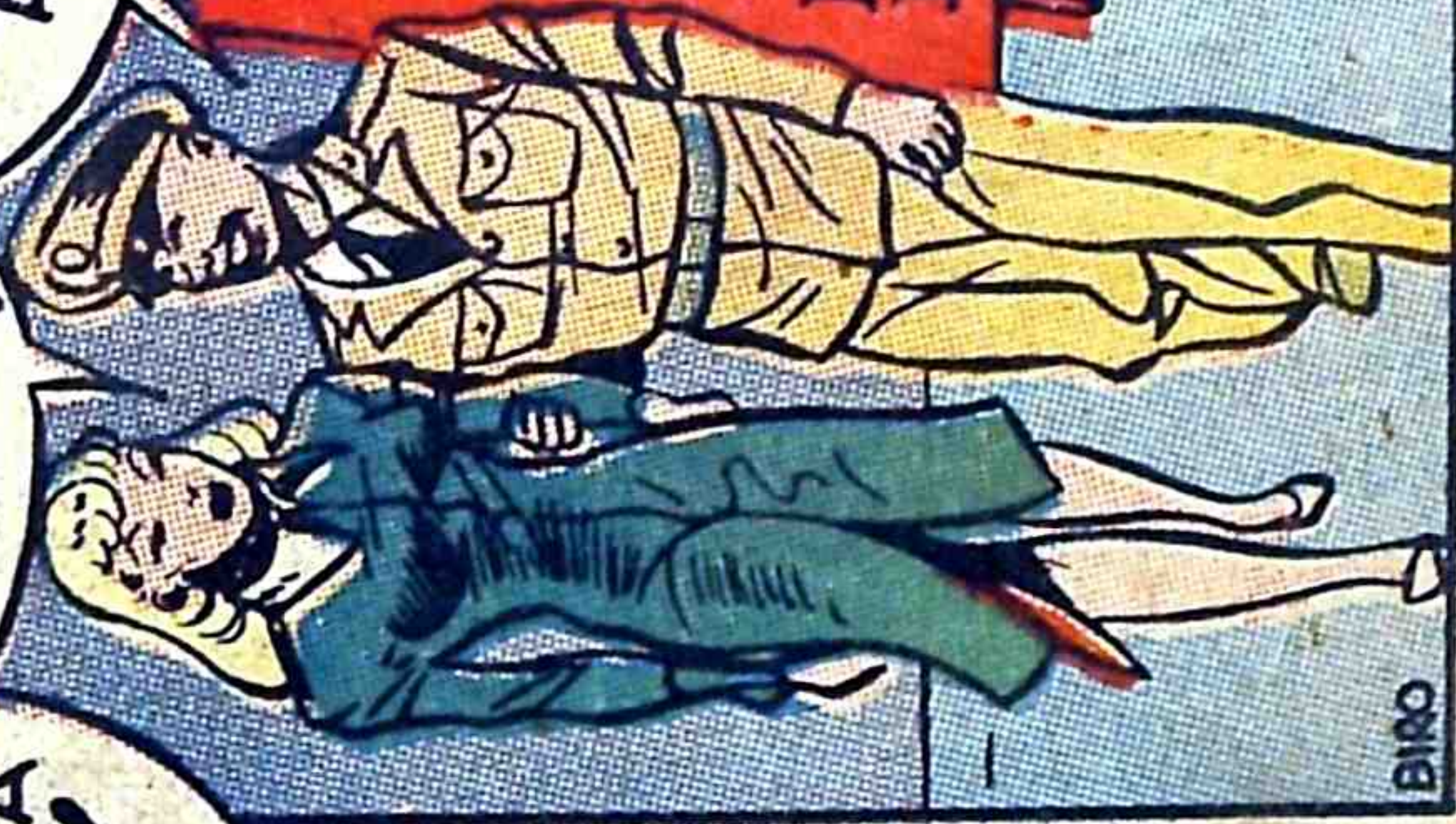
PACK LASTS THREE MONTHS!



LATER.....
PENNY, YOU LOOK AS CLEAN SHAVEN AS A NEW BORN BABE!



I THOUGHT WE COULDN'T GO TO A MOVIE TONIGHT!



WE'LL SEE ALL THE PICTURES NOW, SWEET! I'VE FOUND A WAY!



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HIGH SPEED
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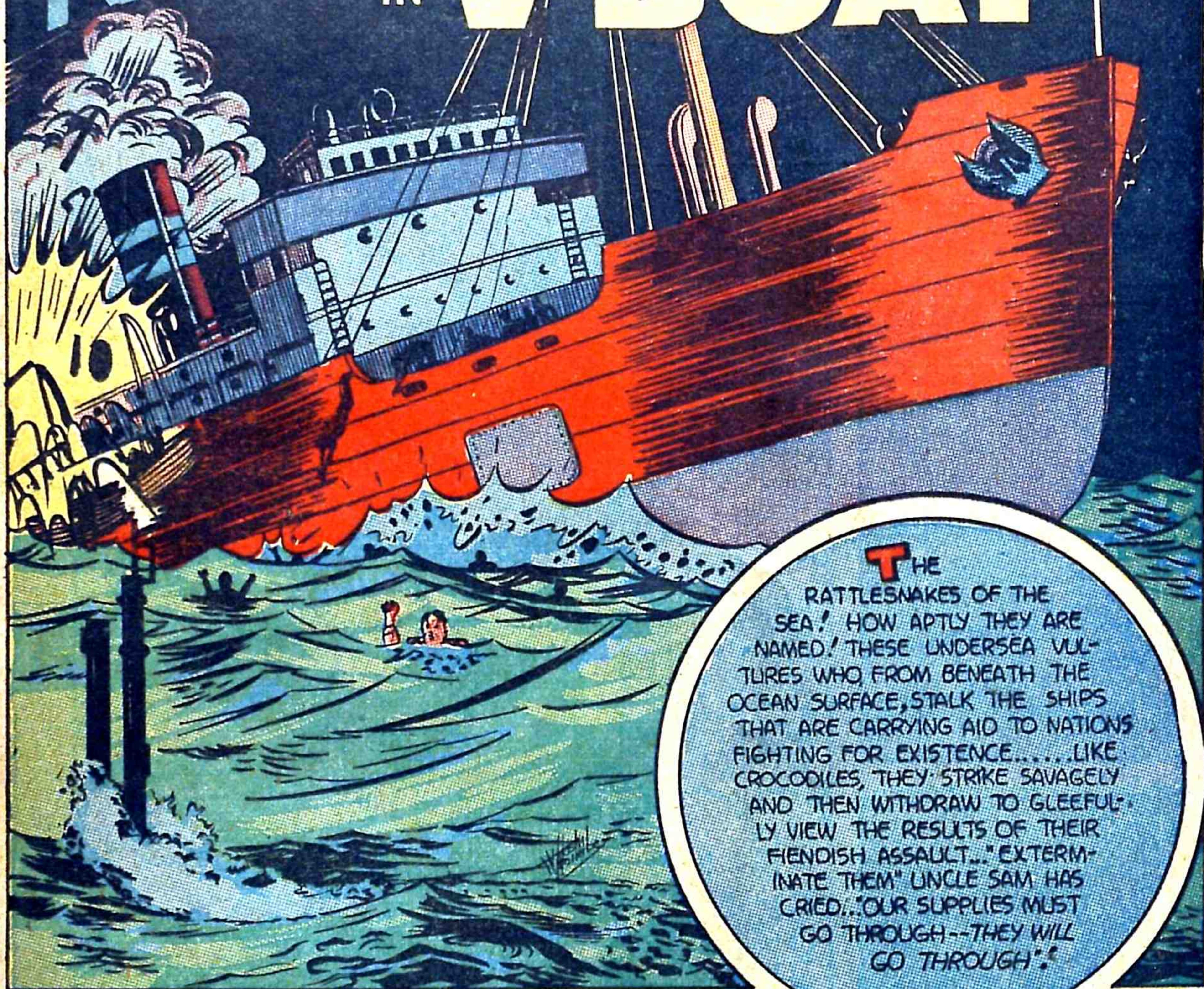
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BIRO

NED OF THE NAVY IN V-BOAT



THE RATTLESNAKES OF THE SEA! HOW APTLY THEY ARE NAMED! THESE UNDERSEA VULTURES WHO, FROM BENEATH THE OCEAN SURFACE, STALK THE SHIPS THAT ARE CARRYING AID TO NATIONS FIGHTING FOR EXISTENCE.....LIKE CROCODILES, THEY STRIKE SAVAGELY AND THEN WITHDRAW TO GLEEFULLY VIEW THE RESULTS OF THEIR FIENDISH ASSAULT.. "EXTERMINATE THEM" UNCLE SAM HAS CRIED.. "OUR SUPPLIES MUST GO THROUGH--THEY WILL GO THROUGH"!

OUR STORY BEGINS ON THE PARADE GROUNDS OF THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY ON A FALL AFTERNOON...



AN ORDER RINGS OUT FROM THE COMMANDING OFFICER AND CADET NED HALE STEPS FORWARD.....



THE DUTY I AM ABOUT TO PERFORM IS NOT ONE I USUALLY ENJOY, BUT IN VIEW OF YOUR CONDUCT, DISMISSING YOU FROM THE ACADEMY WILL NOT BE ENTIRELY UNPLEASANT, CADET HALE!





YOU HAVE BEEN COURT MARTIALED AND FOUND GUILTY OF ATTEMPTING TO SELL U.S. NAVY SECRETS TO A FOREIGN POWER!



YOUR CONDUCT IS ALMOST UNBELIEVABLE FOR ONE WHO HAS STUDIED AND WORKED TO BECOME A NAVAL OFFICER!

BUT I TELL YOU I'M INNOCENT! THE CHARGES ARE LIES!



SILENCE! YOU ARE HEREBY DISHONORABLY DISCHARGED FROM THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY!



THE ROLL OF DRUMS RESOUNDS ACROSS THE CAMPUS AS CADET HALE IS STRIPPED OF HIS NAVY INSIGNIAS..



THAT NIGHT AT THE HOME OF HALE'S FIANCEE, NANCY WINSON...

BUT NANCY! I'M INNOCENT!

GET OUT! YOU...YOU TRAITOR!



LATER, AS NED IS ABOUT TO ENTER A CHEAP BOARDING HOUSE....

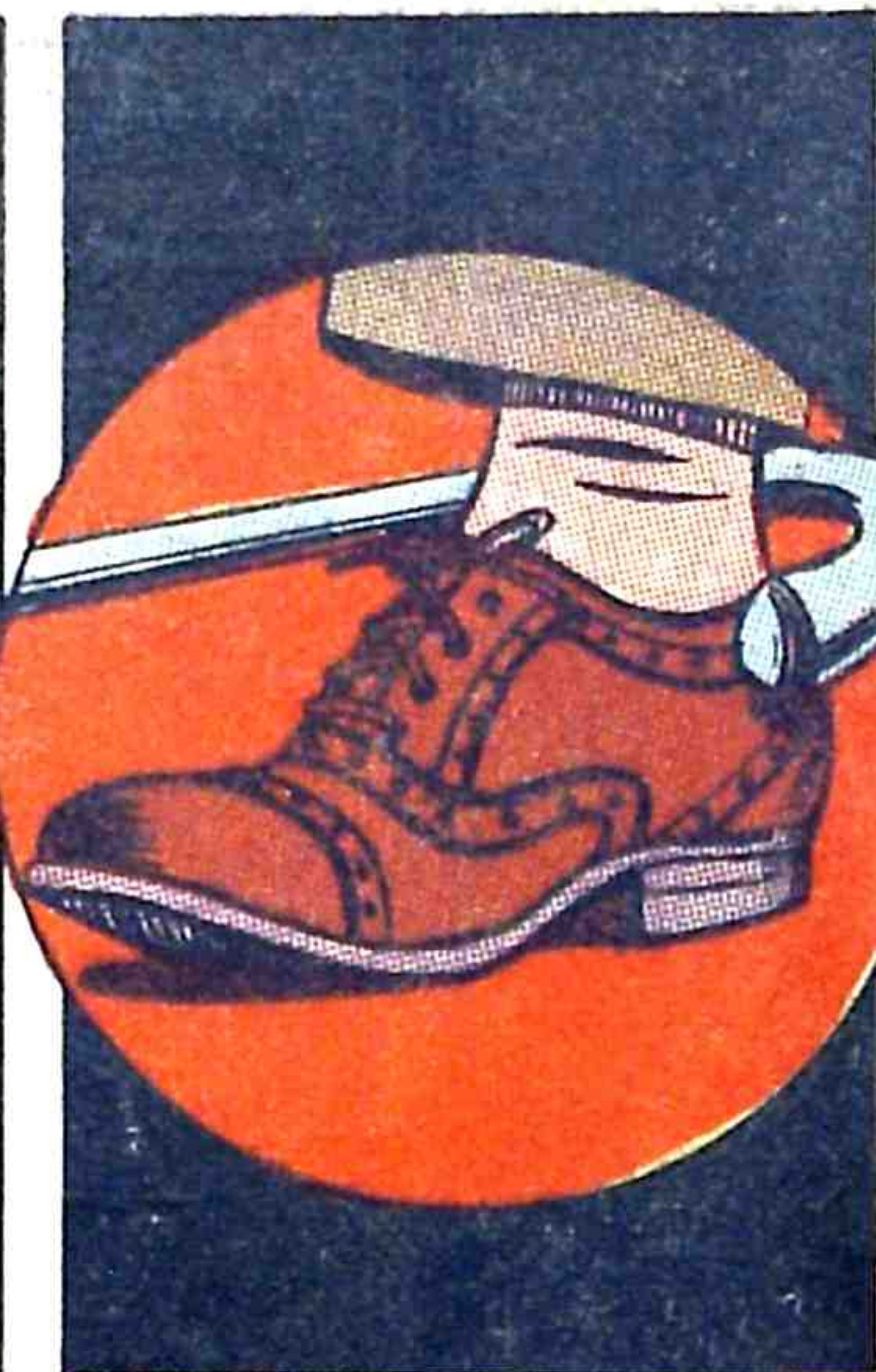
YES, I'M HALE! WHAT DO YOU WANT?

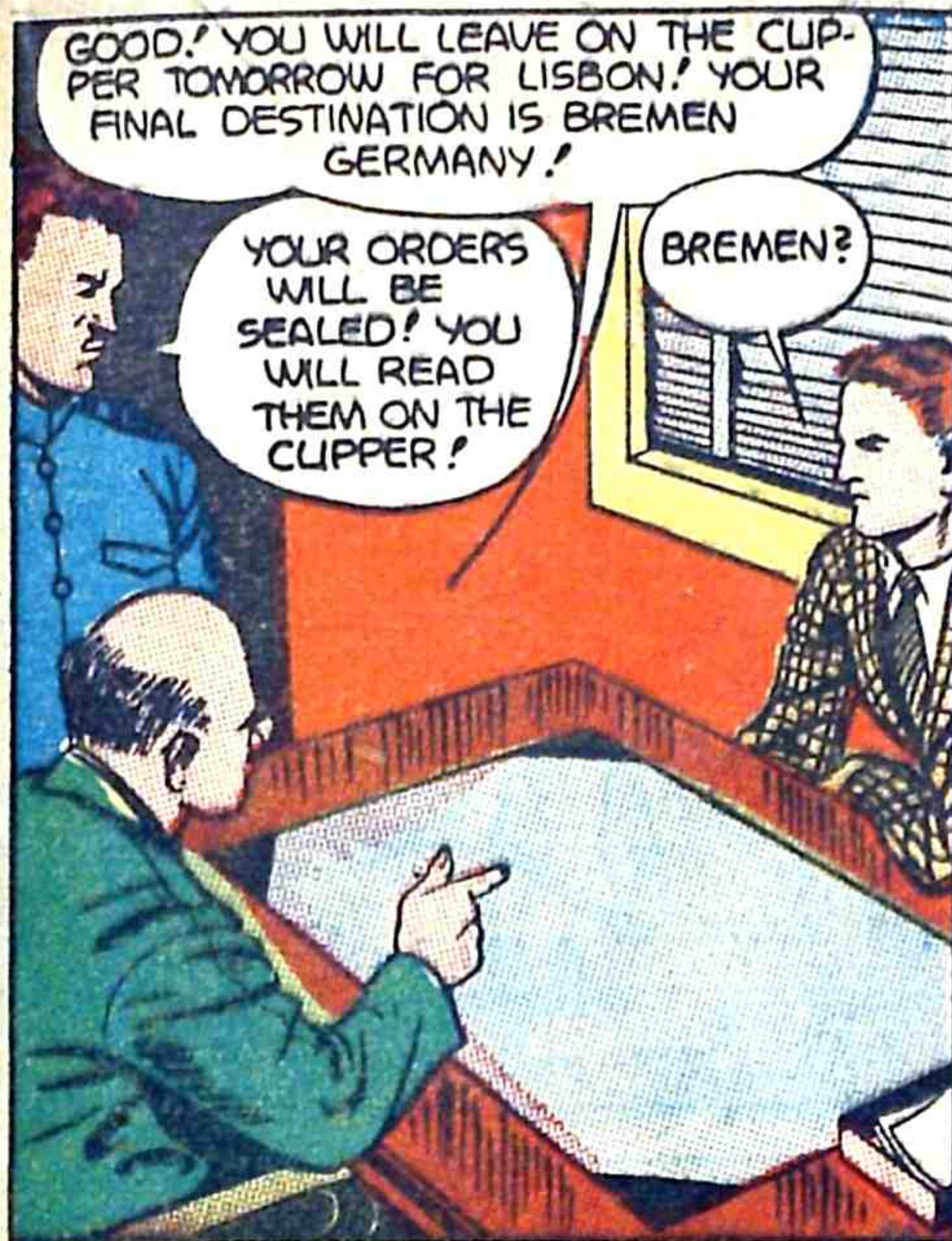
WE WISH TO SPEAK TO YOU ABOUT THE SECRETS YOU HAVE. PERHAPS WE CAN FIND A CUSTOMER FOR YOU!



SO THAT'S IT EH?

WHAT TH...

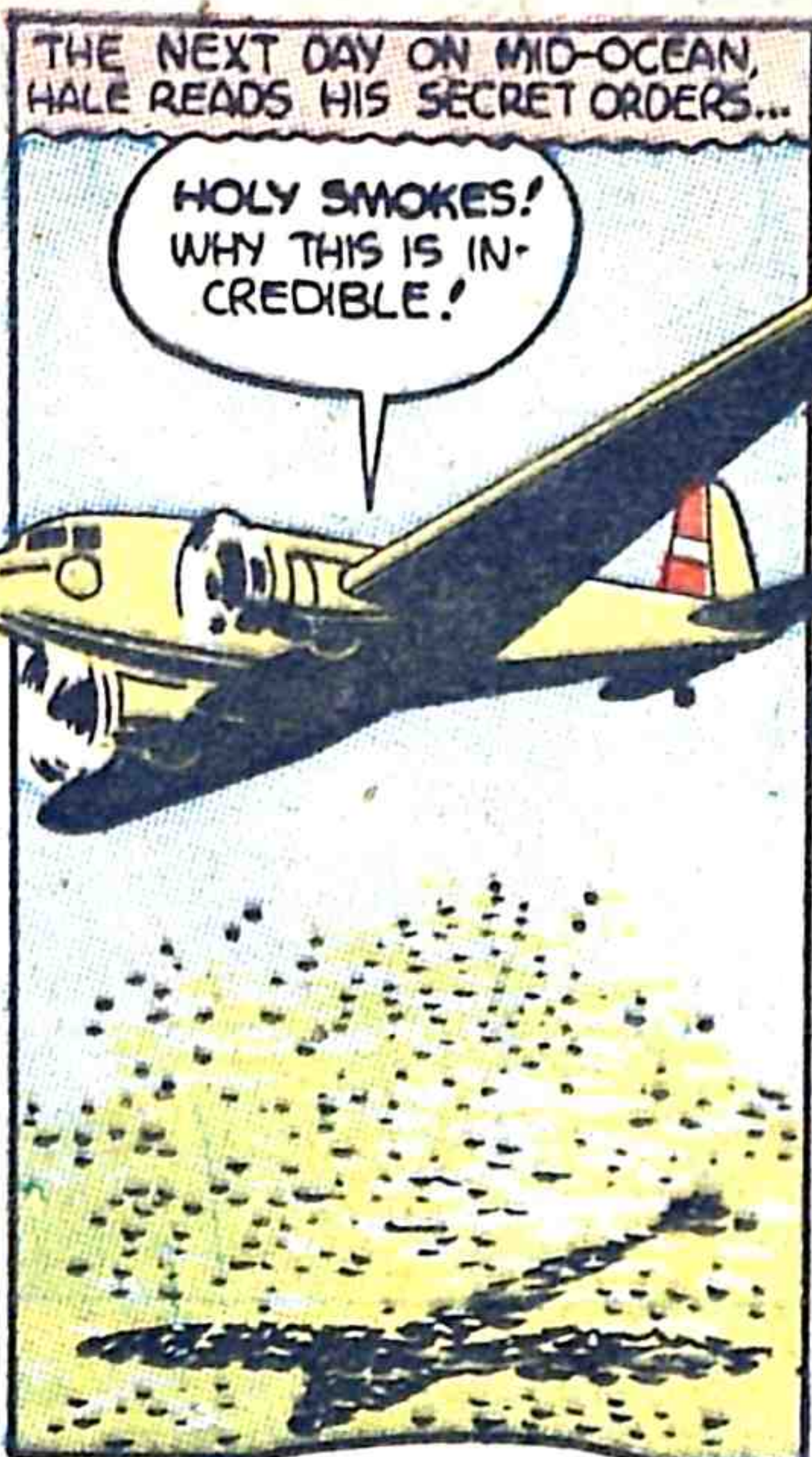




GOOD! YOU WILL LEAVE ON THE CLIPPER TOMORROW FOR LISBON! YOUR FINAL DESTINATION IS BREMEN GERMANY!

YOUR ORDERS WILL BE SEALED! YOU WILL READ THEM ON THE CLIPPER!

BREMEN?



THE NEXT DAY ON MID-OCEAN, HALE READS HIS SECRET ORDERS...

HOLY SMOKES! WHY THIS IS INCREDIBLE!



OUR SCENE SHIFTS TO THE GREAT KEIL SUBMARINE WORKS NEAR BREMEN...

FASTER! YOU DOGS! FASTER!



BUT IT'S USELESS! THIS SUBMARINE IS A NEW DESIGN! IT'LL NEVER WORK! IT NEEDS THE AMERICAN EQUIPMENT!

AND IT'LL HAVE IT!



OUR AGENTS HAVE STOLEN THE PLANS! WE HAVE THE EQUIPMENT, AND AN AMERICAN TRAITOR IS ON HIS WAY TO GIVE US ASSEMBLING INSTRUCTIONS!



24 HOURS LATER, NED HALE ARRIVES IN KEIL.....

MR. HALE HAS REACHED THROUGH OUR AGENTS IN WASHINGTON!

GOOT! YOU WILL BEGIN AT ONCE!

HEIL HITLER!



FOR WEEKS HALE WORKS, ASSEMBLING THE AMERICAN DESIGNED EQUIPMENT UNDER THE CONSTANT EYES OF THE GESTAPO....

YOU HAFF DONE VELL! VE LAUNCH HER TOMORROW!

SHE'S A REMARKABLE SHIP!



THE NEXT DAY.... IN BROOKLYN, NEW YORK, A HUGE NAZI SPY TRIAL IS IN SESSION....

THEN YOU, MR. EBLING, ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR ROUNDING UP THESE SPIES!

YES SIR! THEY THOUGHT I WAS ONE OF THEM, BUT I WAS A COUNTER SPY FOR OUR GOVERNMENT!



IN BERLIN INTENSE INTEREST IS FOCUSED ON THE RADIO REPORTS OF THE TRIAL...

EBLING WAS THE ONE WHO ARRANGED FOR THAT AMERICAN TO ASSEMBLE THE SUBMARINE! HALE MUST BE A SPY!



WHAT? HALE IS OUT ON THE SUBMARINE! RADIO THEM TO ARREST HIM AT ONCE!



DIS IS DER FASTEST SUBMARINE AFLOAT! A REAL SHIP FOR OUR FUEHRER!



THE TEST IS GOOT! VE MUST TURN BACK NOW!

YA! VE ARE NEARLY IN DER BRITISH SHIPPING LANES!

CAPITAN! A MESSAGE!



HALE ISS A SPY! BRING HEEM ON DECK! I'LL SHOW HIM HOW VE TREAT ENEMIES OF DER STATE!



BUT THE CLICKING OF THE RADIO KEYS HAD SPELLED OUT A WARNING TO NED....

HE VILL BE SHOT!

I'VE AN IDEA! A LONG SHOT...BUT...



OH, HERE COMES THE RADIO OPERATOR!



WITH A TWIST AT HIS ARMS, HALE PULLS THE SAILOR FROM THE LADDER, AND....

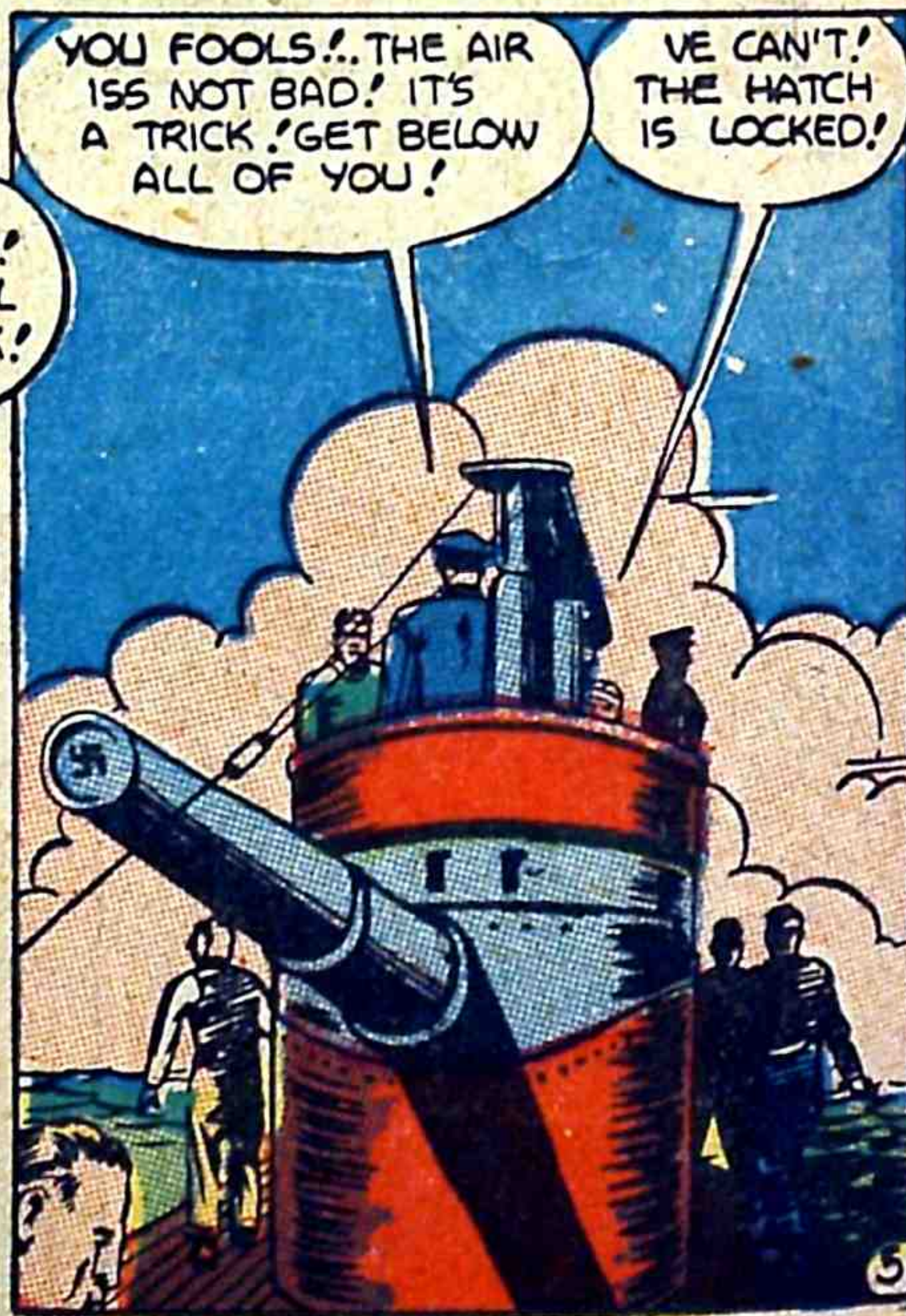
COMPLIMENTS OF THE U.S. NAVY!



ATTRACTED BY THE COMMO-TION, THE SUB'S CREW RACES FROM THE CONTROL ROOM...

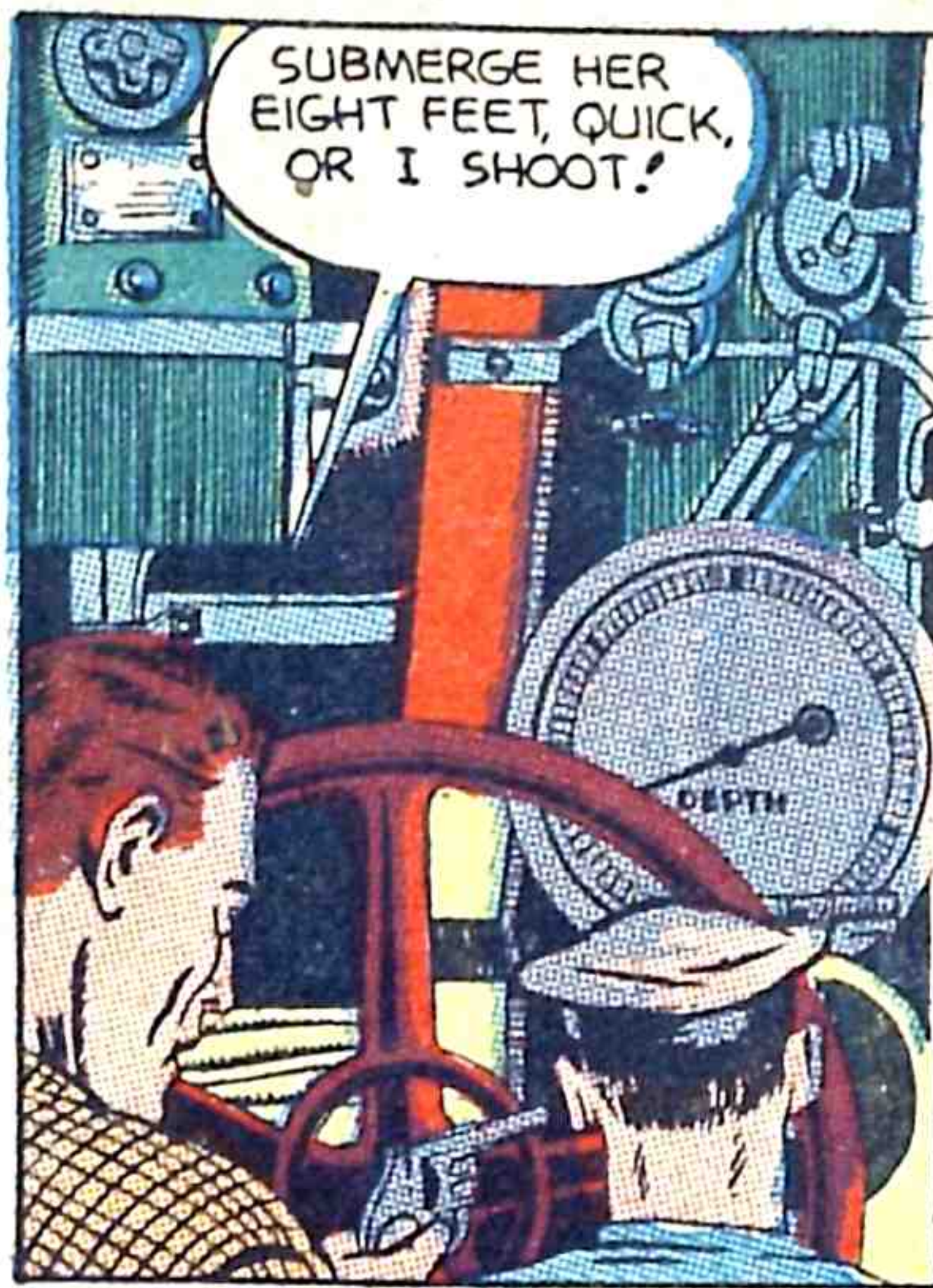
WHAT ISS?

THEY ARE OVER-COME! AIR IS BAD! GET ON DECK, ALL OF YOU, QUICK!



YOU FOOLS!..THE AIR ISS NOT BAD! IT'S A TRICK! GET BELOW ALL OF YOU!

VE CAN'T! THE HATCH IS LOCKED!



WITH ONLY A SMALL PART OF THE SUB'S SURFACE ABOVE WATER...IT IS A STRANGE SIGHT THAT MEETS THE EYES OF A BRITISH PATROL SHIP...A FEW HOURS LATER...



A BOAT IS PUT OVER THE SIDE AND THE GERMAN CREW IS RESCUED FROM THE ICY WATER...



WHILE NOT FAR AWAY...



AFTER A DANGEROUS, SLEEPLESS JOURNEY NED HALE AND HIS STRANGE CREW REACH THE WATERS OF THE WESTERN HEMISPHERE...WHERE A U.S. PATROL SHIP IS SIGHTED!



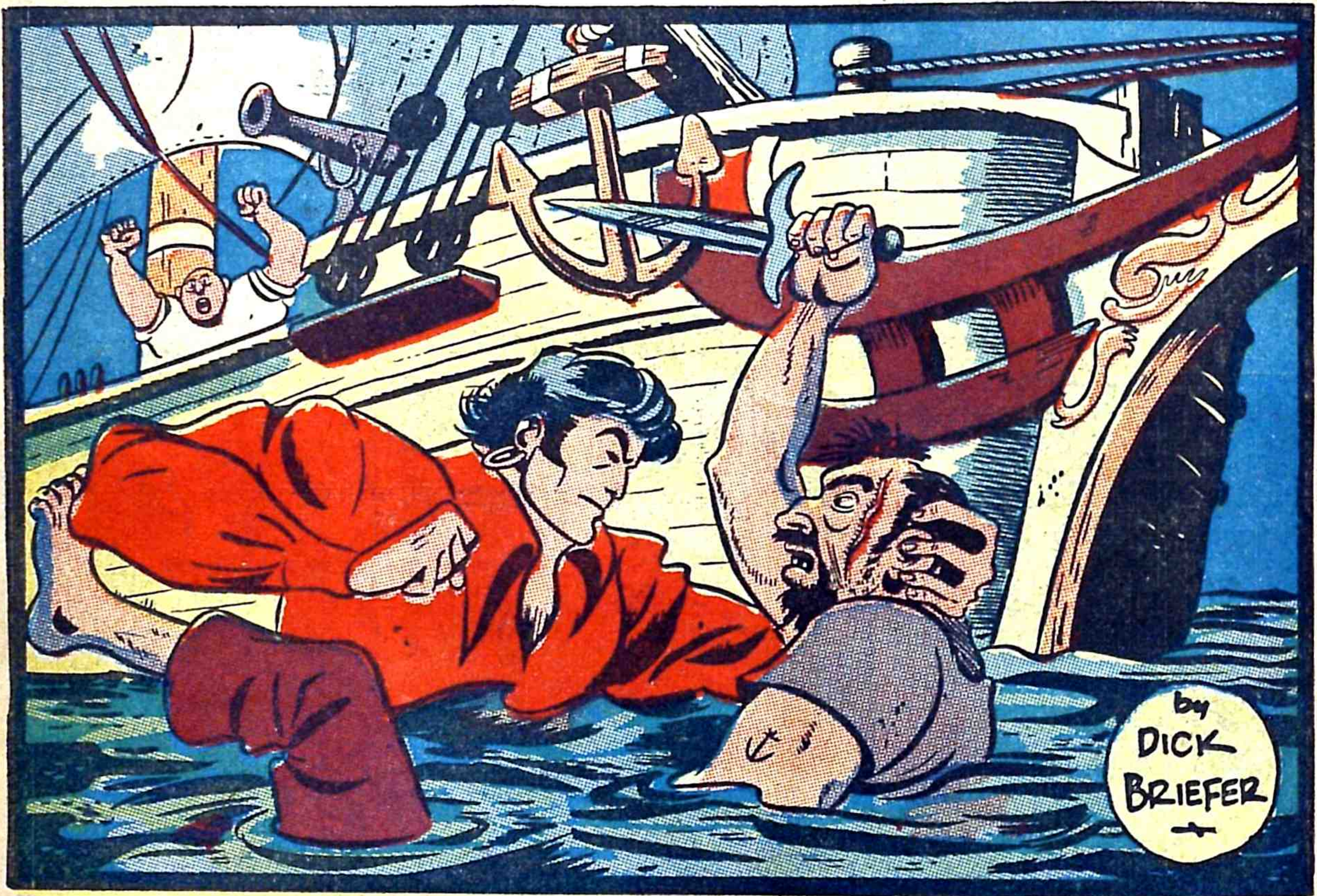
AFTER AN HOUR OF DROPPING DEPTH CHARGES....



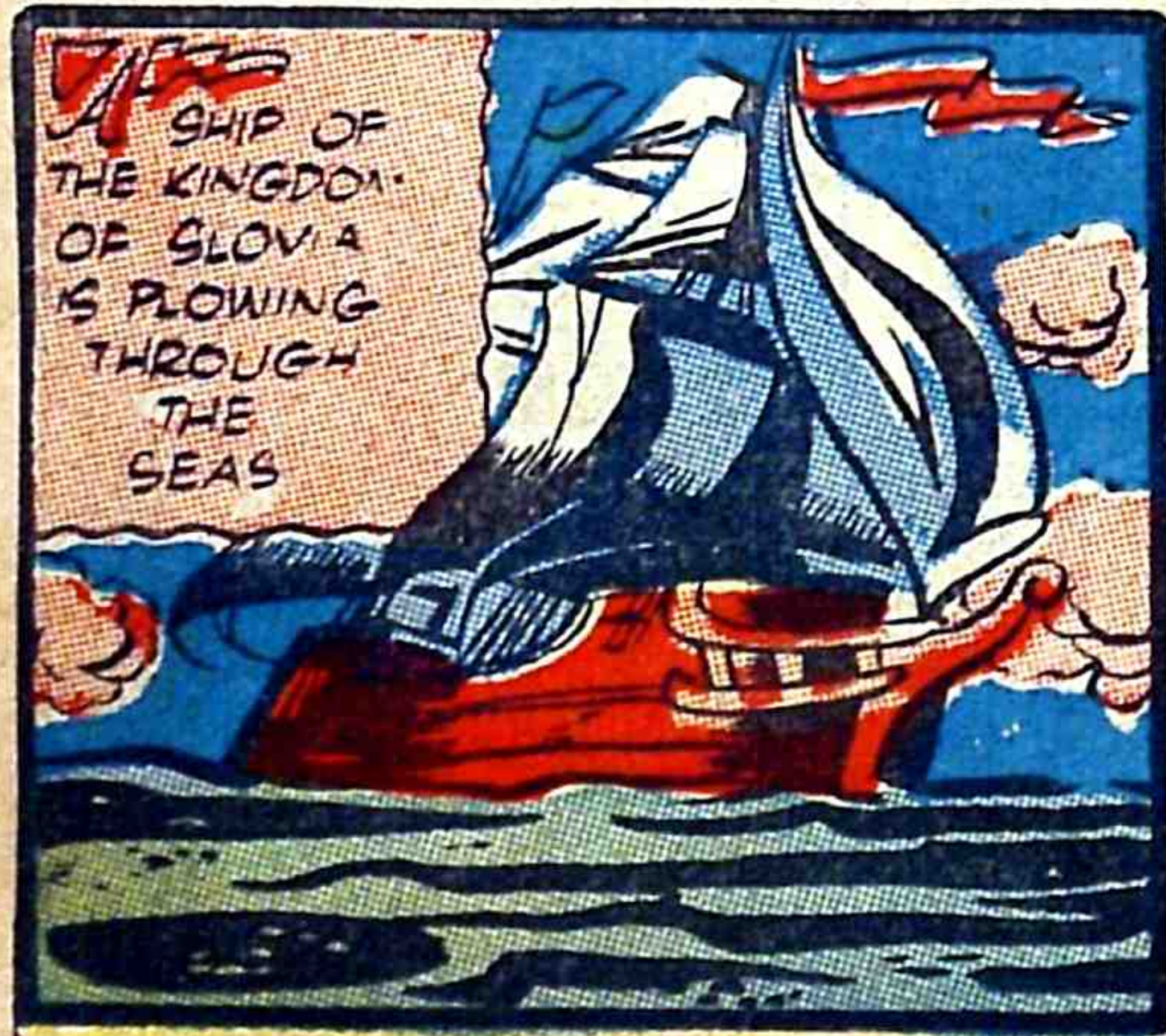
BOY! THAT WAS A CLOSE ONE! IF THIS SUB WASN'T SO FAST, WE'D BEEN SUNK! I'VE GOT TO GET INTO AN AMERICAN PORT OR THESE MEN WILL GET ME...AND THE SUB....



THE PIRATE PRINCE



by
DICK
BRIEFER
✈



A SHIP OF THE KINGDOM OF SLOVIA IS FLOWING THROUGH THE SEAS



ABOVE, IN THE RIGGING—
AVAST!
PIRATE
SHIP
TO
LEEWARD!



THE TWO SHIPS DRAW CLOSER
THE SLOVIAN SHIP FIRES FIRST
AND THE PIRATE SHIP RESPONDS
WITH A MIGHTY BARRAGE—

THE NEWS OF THE SINKING FINALLY REACHES KING BOOHB OF SLOVIA.



-AND BESIDES, IT'S DEFINITE THAT THE **BLACK MASK** SANK THE BOAT!

WOE IS ME!



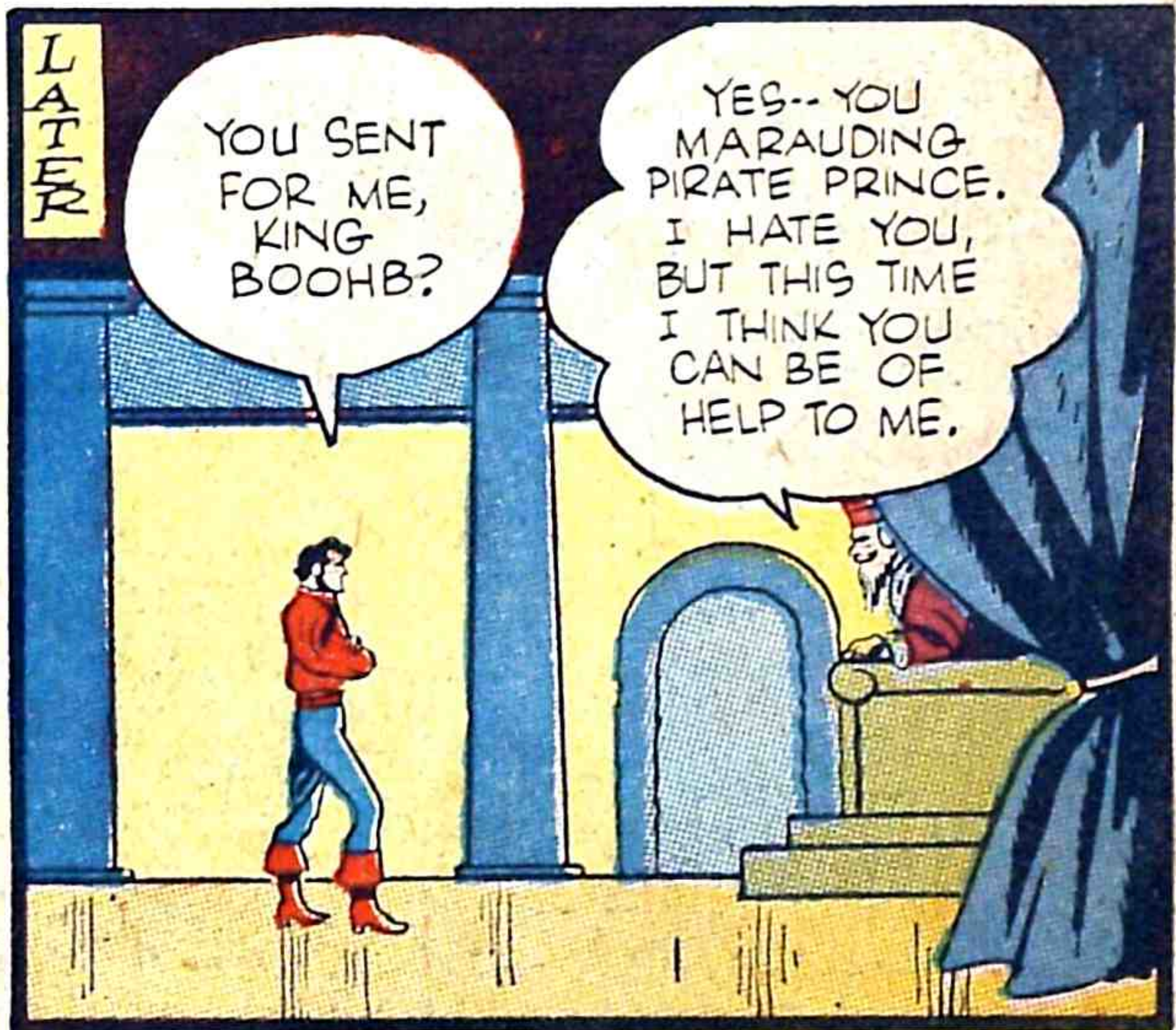
SOMETHING MUST BE DONE! I'M LOSING ALL MY SHIPS... I'M LOSING ALL MY TRADE... I'M LOSING ALL MY MONEY!



THE **BLACK MASK** MUST BE SENT TO THE BOTTOM OF THE OCEAN --- AND I KNOW THE ONE WHO CAN DO IT!



SEND FOR THE **PIRATE PRINCE!**



LATER

YOU SENT FOR ME, KING BOOHB?

YES-- YOU MARAUDING PIRATE PRINCE. I HATE YOU, BUT THIS TIME I THINK YOU CAN BE OF HELP TO ME.



GOLD! A MILLION BUCKOS FOR YOU IF YOU SINK THE **BLACK MASK!**

THAT'S QUITE A TASK-- BUT THAT'S QUITE A SUM. I ACCEPT.



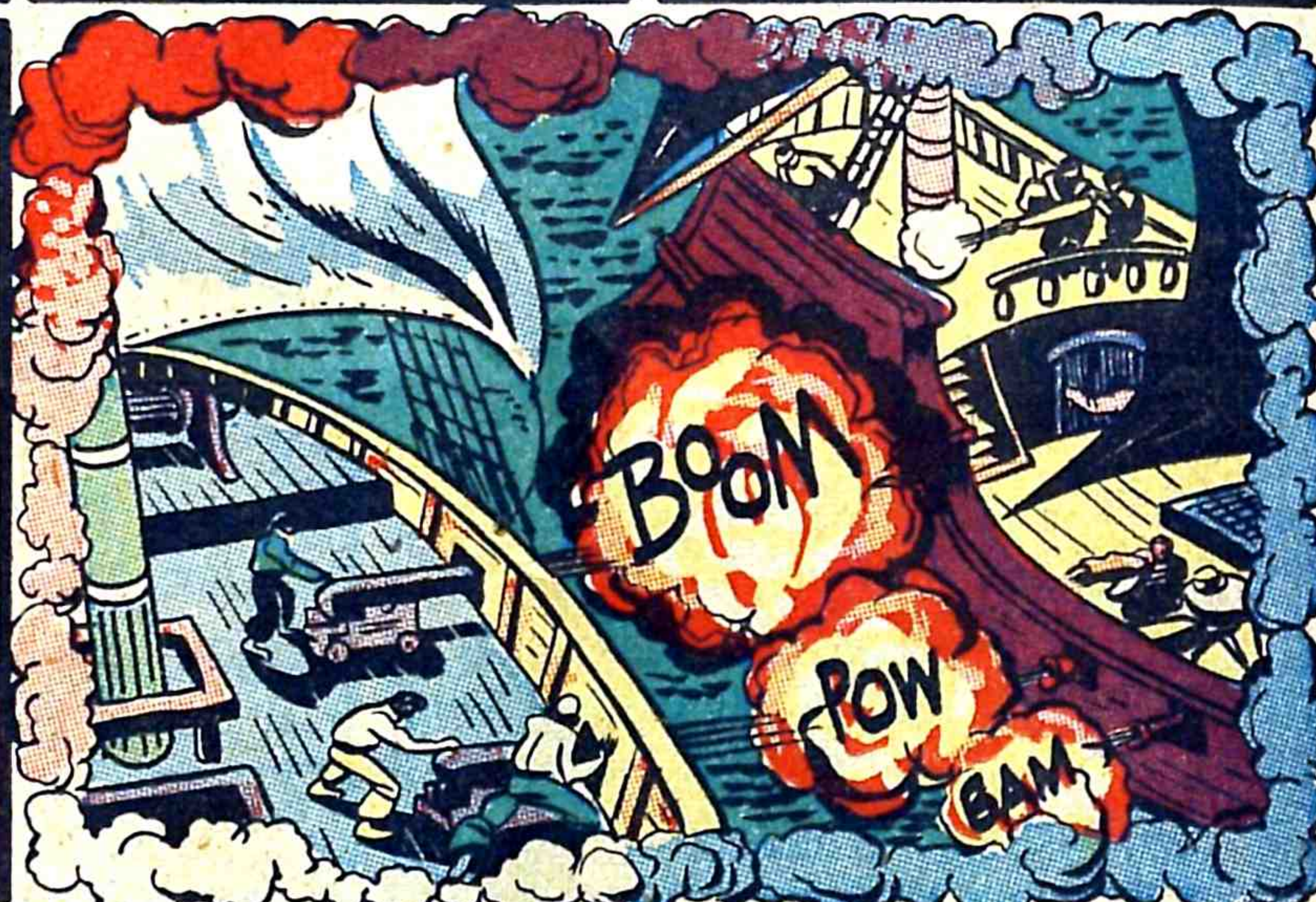
BRING BACK THE **BLACK MASK'S** HEAD AND THE GOLD IS YOURS!



Still later--

IT'S THE **BLACK MASK** WE'RE AFTER THIS TIME, LADS. UNFURL THE CANVAS!

THE **BLACK MASK** IS NO SISSY, BUT LET'S GO!



WHILE PRINCE'S MEN BATTLE ON, PRINCE SEARCHES OUT THE BLACK MASK.

COME ON, MISTER BLACK MASK.. YOUR PIRATE DAYS ARE OVER!



IS THAT SO?!

DESPERATELY THE TWO ENGAGE IN A TERRIFIC STRUGGLE...



YOU'RE PRETTY GOOD WITH THE STEEL.

THANKS- YOU'RE NOT SO BAD EITHER!



BUT I THINK I'M GOING TO WIN OUT HERE



A SEVERE BLOW SHATTERS THE BLACK MASK'S SWORD!



THIS WAY, BLACK MASK. YOU'RE COMING BACK WITH ME -- TO OLD KING BOOHB

THEY'RE ALL LICKED, PRINCE!



THE BLACK MASK IS PUT BEHIND BARS IN PRINCE'S SHIP.

HEY PAL, Y'WANT TO SEE A DIAMOND AS BIG AS MY FIST?

SURE, GUY.. WHERE IS IT?



I DON'T KNOW BUT HERE'S MY FIST!

GLPH!



WITH THE KEYS, THE MASK OPENS THE CELL...

AND YOU-- KEEP THIS A SECRET!

THE BLACK MASK DASHES TO THE DECK AND PLUNGES INTO THE WATER.

HO HO! WHAT LUCK!...WE'RE ONLY A MILE FROM SHORE!

WHEN PRINCE LEARNS HOW HE WAS TRICKED--

Y'KNOW, HE DESERVED TO ESCAPE IF HE FOOLED US LIKE THAT. THERE WAS SOMETHING ABOUT THE BLACK MASK I ADMIRER--

--AT KING BOOHB'S COURT--

SO YOU HAVE FAILED, EH? YOU LET HIM ESCAPE, EH? WELL--YOU DISPLEASE ME-- I AM MAD AT YOU---

HANG HIM IN THE PUBLIC SQUARE! I NEVER DID LIKE YOU, PIRATE PRINCE!

THERE, IN THE SQUARE, PRINCE IS ABOUT TO BE HANGED!

DIG HOITS ME MORE DAN IT HOITS YOU, PAL.

HOORA! ANOTHER HANGING!

IN THE CROWD, A BEAUTIFUL WOMAN LOOKS ON AGHAST. WHAT HAS SHE TO DO WITH OUR STORY?

COME ON, HANG HIM!

GET IT OVER WITH!

HURRY UP!

SUDDENLY, A WAGON CRASHES THROUGH THE MOB, THE FIGURE OF THE BLACK MASK DRIVING... IT STREAKS UP TO THE SCAFFOLD--

HURRY, PRINCE-- GET ABOARD THIS CART! I'LL GET YOU OUT OF THIS!

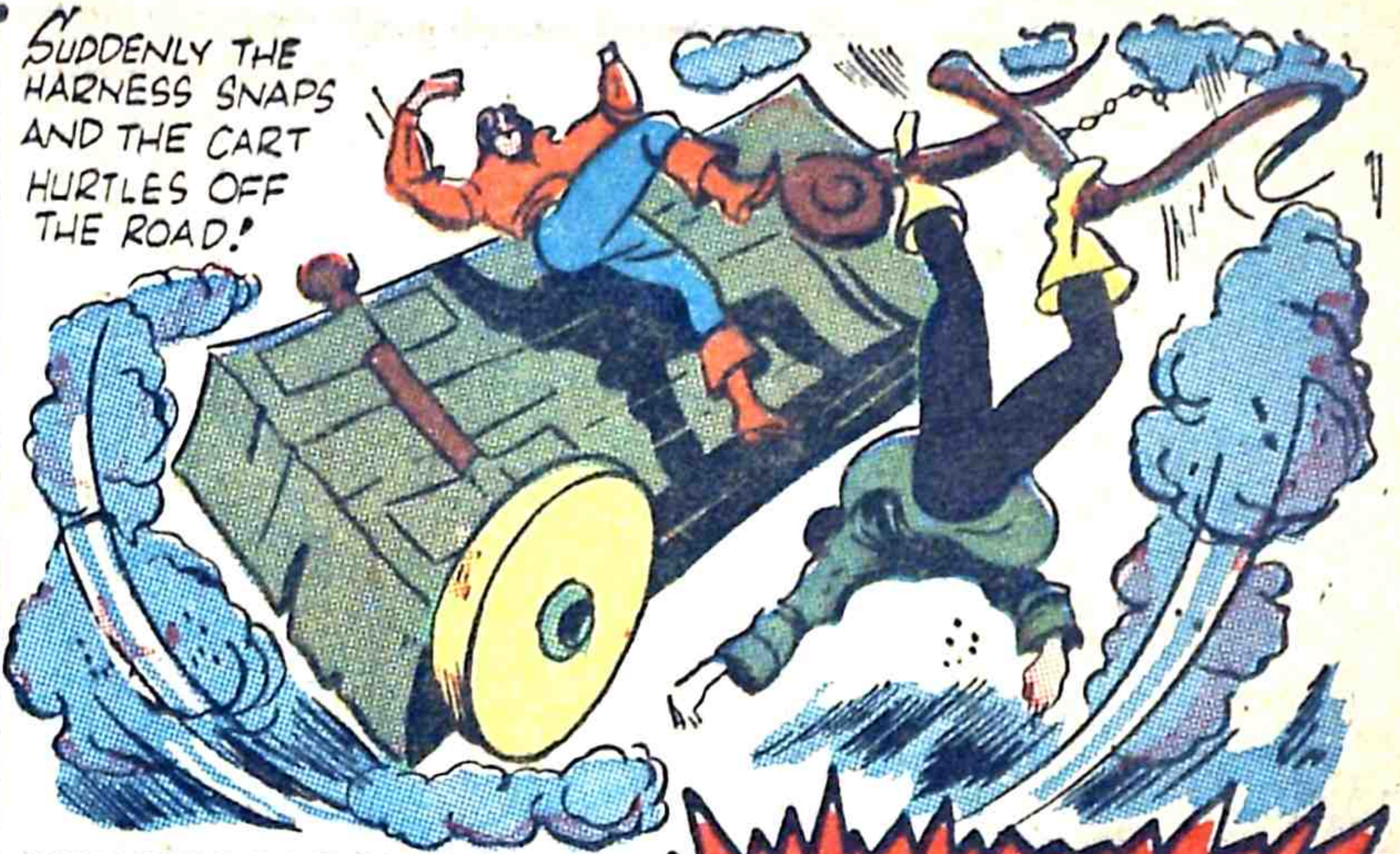
BLACK MASK!

HURRIEDLY, SHE SLIPS AWAY---



WELL! TO WHAT DO I OWE THIS SURPRISE?

WHAT'S THE DIFFERENCE? YOU'RE FREE.



SUDDENLY THE HARNESS SNAPS AND THE CART HURTLES OFF THE ROAD!



OOHH-- WHAT A SMACK! HEY-- BLACK MASK-- YOU ALL THERE?



PRINCE LIFTS THE DEBRIS FROM THE BLACK MASK--

WELL, I'LL BE--



THE MASK HAS TORN OFF, REVEALING--



SAY! YOU DO HAVE SOME TALL EXPLAINING TO DO!

SO YOU'VE DISCOVERED MY SECRET! WELL, I RESCUED YOU FOR TWO REASONS--



ONE--WE'RE IN THE SAME BATTLE -- I'M NOT A PIRATE-- BUT A FIGHTER AGAINST **SLAVERY!** THAT'S WHY BOOHB WANTED ME OUT OF THE WAY...

SO THAT RAT WAS TRADING IN SLAVES!?



AND THE OTHER REASON--WELL-- I BELIEVE I **LOVE** YOU-- BUT-- THAT CAN'T CONTINUE..

ONE MINUTE WITH YOU, AND I KNOW I LOVE YOU. BUT OUR LOVE WOULD STAND IN THE WAY OF OUR CRUSADE AGAINST SLAVERY... IT.. MUST NOT BE--



SO WE MUST PART--WE CANNOT THINK OF OURSELVES IN THIS CASE.

PERHAPS-- AFTER OUR FIGHT IS WON-- WE MAY MEET AGAIN--

IT'S UP TO YOU, READERS!
DO YOU WANT TO SEE THE BEAUTIFUL AND MYSTERIOUS BLACK MASK AGAIN? WRITE IN TO THE PIRATE PRINCE, 1/4 THIS MAGAZINE. AND TELL HIM YOUR IDEA FOR ANOTHER MEETING. IN RETURN, HE'LL SEND YOU AN ORIGINAL, AUTOGRAPHED DRAWING OF HIMSELF, INSCRIBED ESPECIALLY TO YOU!
WRITE RIGHT NOW!

CAPTAIN

BATTLE'S

*Cleverest
trick!*



OR OUTWITTING THE UNDERWORLD!

by **OTTO BINDER**

The door slammed shut behind the blackmailers. Henry Mitchell's wife now ran into her husband's arms. "We've got to pay, Henry," she sobbed. "It means your job!"

"No one can help me," Mitchell said bitterly. "That's the worst of it. If I go to the police, the secret would be out, and I'd lose my job anyway. There's not a soul on earth that can help me—"

He broke off, his eyes lighting up.

"Wait a minute!" he cried out. "What about Captain Battle? He's devoted his life to stamping out crime. Yes, that's it—CAPTAIN BATTLE will help me!" And jamming on his hat, Mitchell ran out of the house. He didn't stop running till he saw Hilltop Laboratory, perched like an eagle's nest high on a hill. There he'd find the greatest crime-buster of the age.

He rang the bell and the door opened almost

instantly. A pretty young girl stood in the doorway.

"You're Jane Lorrain," Mitchell said, in recognition of the famous Captain Battle's secretary. "Is Captain Battle in? I'm in trouble!"

Without a word, the girl led him to the laboratory. The figures of a man and boy, dressed in laboratory smocks, were laboring over test tubes. Captain Battle and Hale turned their serious, kindly faces—the faces of two who had saved many a life and career. Mitchell felt already as though all his troubles were over, and spoke rapidly.

"I'm Henry Mitchell, manager of a big firm. It's an important job and I've worked hard for it. But now blackmailers are after me. You see, when I was young I—er—made a mistake. Went to prison for it. When I came out, I decided to go straight."

Mitchell drew a breath and went on.

"It wasn't easy at first. No one wanted to give an

ex-convict a job. But finally, I landed a position, without telling my employers of my past. They never found out, and in ten years I worked hard and achieved my present position. Now—"

Captain Battle interrupted.

"Now the blackmailers threaten to expose your past—unless you pay off—perhaps for the rest of your life?"

Mitchell nodded in misery. Then he straightened, looking into the level grey eyes of the crime-fighter.

"You'll help me, won't you, Captain Battle?" he said in relief. "You'll straighten it out somehow, so that my life won't be ruined!"

Captain Battle gave his answer.

"No!" he said.

Henry Mitchell gasped. It was as though a bomb had exploded. This was Captain Battle, wasn't it? This was the great man who had pledged his life to help the weak and needy? Who had never yet turned down anyone who needed help against the wolves of crime?

"I—I guess I heard wrong," Mitchell laughed weakly. "I thought you said no."

"I did," Captain Battle assured him. "I can't be bothered with these trivial things. It's your trouble.

Figure it out for yourself." He turned to his secretary. "Jane, show the gentleman out, please."

Mitchell walked to the door in a dead silence. It closed behind him. The cold night wind whipped through him, and he shivered. He was still dazed, dumbfounded. His last hope gone! If Captain Battle had refused to help him, no one else in the universe could!

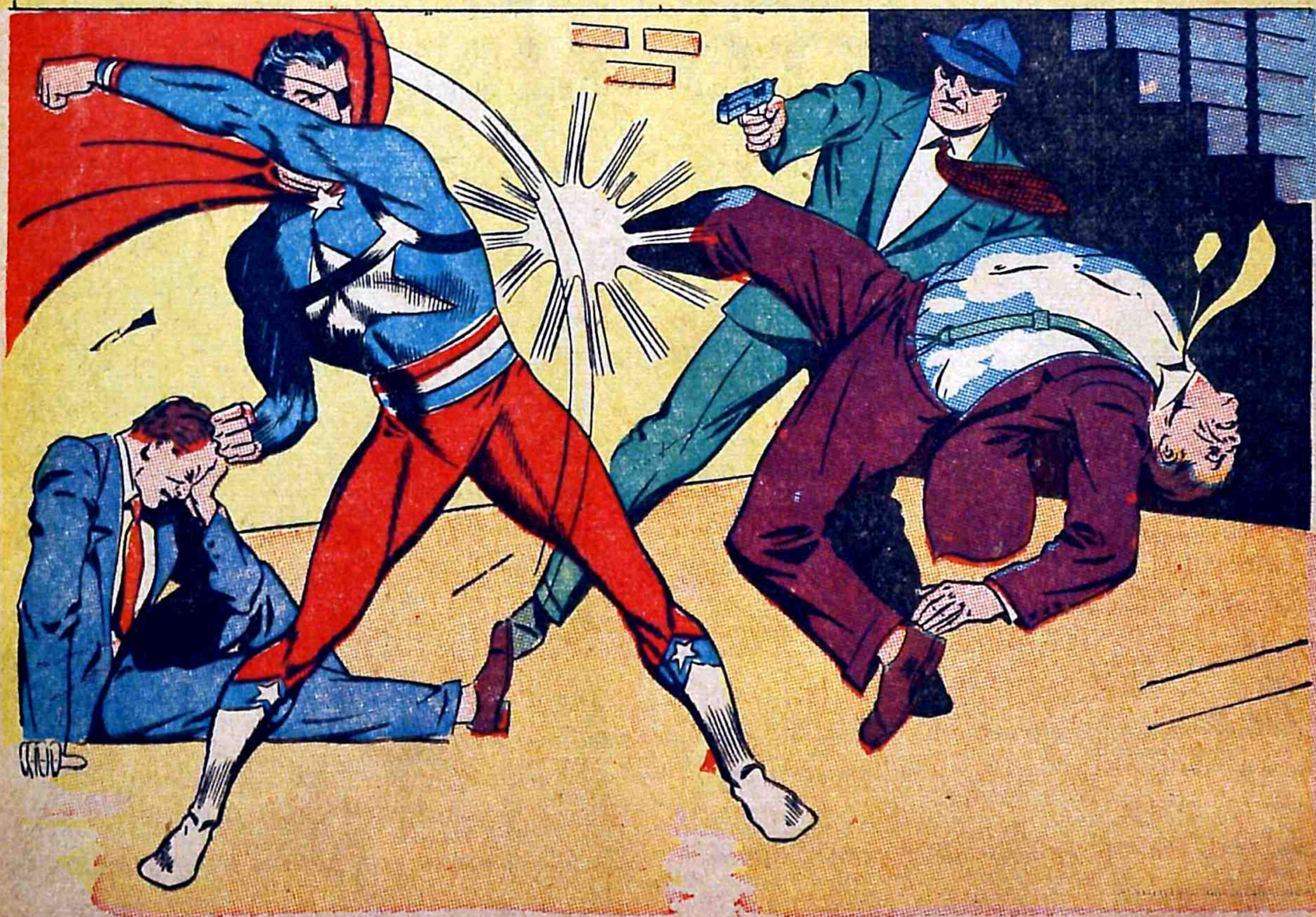
Suddenly, a rough hand grabbed his shoulder, before he had walked a hundred feet. The harsh face of a thug flared into his.

"Tryin' to get help from Captain Battle, eh?" growled the thug. "Good thing he turned ya down. Boss Ratto sent me to shadow you, and I listened at the window. C'mon, Boss Ratto wants to see ya!"

Mitchell felt the cold muzzle of a gun against his ribs, and silently allowed himself to be pulled away. Hilltop Laboratory faded behind him—his last hope! Two blocks away, Boss Ratto waited at a street corner with his other two men.

"Trying to pull a fast one, eh?" Ratto hissed. "Well, now that Captain Battle turned you down, what's the verdict? Do you pay or—"

Ratto paused and drew an envelope from his pocket. Stepping to a mailbox, he held the envelope



in position to drop it in.

"This letter is addressed to your firm," Ratto informed. "Telling them you were once in Sing Sing, shall I drop it in—or will you listen to reason?"

"I—I—" gasped the wretched Mitchell.

"You pay or it goes in the mail!" threatened Boss Ratto.

"I'm the postman," said a new voice. "I'll take the letter!"

And a hand reached around from behind the mailbox, snatching the letter. They all turned, and there stood Hale Battle, in his crime-fighting uniform of red, white and blue!

"Hale Battle!" hissed Boss Ratto. "I see! You felt sorry for Mitchell, after Captain Battle turned him away, so you came here on your own. Well, brat, you asked for trouble—so give it to him, men!"

And with one accord, the three thugs jumped on the boy. Hale Battle was borne down by the attack, but managed to squirm free with swinging fists. For a while he held off the three thugs, returning blow for blow.

"Haven't got time to waste!" snarled Boss Ratto, aiming a cowardly kick for the back of Hale's head.

The kick never landed. A figure shot out of the shadows nearby. Its hand caught the Boss's foot and gave a quick jerk, whereupon Ratto turned a neat somersault and landed flat on the sidewalk on his stomach.

"Need any help, Hale?" Captain Battle boomed, wading now into the three thugs. SMACKO!—and one thug stretched out flat. SOCKO!—and the second

thug gave a grunt and sagged to the sidewalk. Hale measured off the third himself, with a haymaker that cracked through the night air—CRACKO!

"As for you, Mr. Ratto," said Captain Battle, yanking the Boss up by the coat collar, "I've got a little blackmail on you—namely, THIS!"

Ratto stared at the powerful fist before his nose, and nodded in understanding. A moment later he slunk away with his staggering henchmen.

"They won't bother you again, Mr. Mitchell," Captain Battle promised.

"You—you've saved me from ruin!" Mitchell breathed in thankfulness. "But still I don't understand—at the laboratory, you refused to help me!"

Captain Battle smiled.

"That was because I knew one of Ratto's men was eavesdropping," he explained. "I wanted them to think I'd refused, and the coast was clear, so they'd play into my hands. I wanted to get the blackmail letter."

And he nodded at Hale, who tore the blackmail letter into little pieces and let them fly away with the breeze.

"I admire men who got a wrong start in life and then went straight," Captain Battle added. "Keep it up, Mitchell. Your secret is safe with us."

Mitchell felt a mountain fall off his shoulders, watching the torn paper drift away. When he turned back, he saw no one. He was alone.

"Thank Heaven I went straight," he shivered, heading for home. "I'd hate to be a crook today—and have to face Captain Battle!"

(THE END)

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INTRODUCING A BRAND NEW COMIC STRIP CHARACTER!

TEX

HAZARD

by
**DON
RICO**



HERE IT IS... A CHARACTER BASED UPON THE VERY EVENTS WHICH ARE SHAKING THE FOUNDATIONS OF THE WORLD WE LIVE IN! SEE FOR YOURSELF THE MOMENTOUS UPHEAVALS YOU READ ABOUT IN THE PAPERS OF ENGLAND, FRANCE, GERMANY, RUSSIA, CHINA... THE SEVEN SEAS... IN AN AVALANCHE OF POWER AND DESTRUCTION!



SEE THEM THROUGH THE EYES OF TEX HAZARD... DESCENDENT OF PIONEERS AND INDIAN-FIGHTERS! RECKLESS, BRAVE SYMBOL OF THE SPIRIT WHICH HAS BUILT AMERICA! TRAVEL WITH HIM AS HE EMBARKS UPON A SERIES OF ADVENTURES MORE THRILLING THAN ANY OTHERS YOU'VE READ ABOUT!

IN THE LOCKER ROOM OF THE TEST-PILOTS OF THE RITE AVIATION CORPORATION...



WHEW... THAT WAS A HONEY OF A CRATE I TESTED TODAY!

GOTTA DATE TONIGHT, TEX?



PARDNER... I'VE GOT OTHER THINGS ON MY MIND THAN DAMES!

TELEGRAM FOR MR. HAZARD!



YIP-PEE!! IT'S HERE!

F' GOODNESS SAKE!

TEX! TAKE IT EASY!



LOOK! MY APPLICATION TO FERRY BOMBERS TO ENGLAND HAS BEEN ACCEPTED! I'M TO LEAVE AT ONCE!

YOU LUCKY STIFF!



CONGRATULATIONS, TEX! THEY COULDN'T HAVE PICKED A BETTER MAN!

THANKS, NED!



HELLO, CHIEF-- THIS IS X-13 REPORTING! HAZARD HAS BEEN ASSIGNED TO FERRY DUTY!

BUT AS SOON AS TEX LEAVES, NED RUSHES TO A PHONE...



MMM... IS SO? CAN HE BE BOUGHT? MOST POOR FLIERS CAN BE, AS YOU KNOW!

AT THE OTHER END OF THE LINE...



NONE OF YOUR CRACKS, ERIC--- YOU CAN TRY GREASING HIS PALM A BIT!



AND SO, AS TEX BOARDS THE TRAIN FOR CANADA... HE IS FOLLOWED!

THERE IS MY MAN! HE WILL NEVER GET TO LONDON --- IF I HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH IT!



IF HE'S FLYING FOR THE BRITISH JUST FOR THE MONEY, HE'LL BE A CINCH TO BRIBE! IF NOT--I'LL FIX HIM IN ANOTHER WAY!



TEX LEAVES FOR THE OBSERVATION CAR, AND THE STRANGER FOLLOWS...

MR. TEX HAZARD?

YEP! HOW DO YOU KNOW ME?



I'LL COME RIGHT TO THE POINT! AS ONE MAN OF THE WORLD TO ANOTHER-- WE ALL HAVE OUR PRICE, EH? PATRIOTISM IS A NICE RACKET WHEN IT PAYS-- BUT SOMETIMES IT'S MORE PROFITABLE TO BE ON THE OTHER SIDE!

YOU'VE GOT SOMETHING THERE, BUD... GO ON!



I AM PREPARED TO GIVE YOU \$10,000 TO... ER... HAVE A SLIGHT ACCIDENT WITH THE PLANE YOU ARE TO PILOT!

I'LL COME RIGHT TO THE POINT, TOO---



GET IT?

WAK!



COME BACK HERE, CHUM--I'M NOT THROUGH WITH YOU YET!

BE REASONABLE!

IN DESPERATE FEAR, THE SPY CLIMBS TO THE TOP OF THE CAR WITH TEX CLOSE BEHIND----



YOU COME ANY CLOSER AND I'LL SHOOT!

SHOOT AWAY!



OH!

IT'S CURTAINS FOR YOU, GEEP!

BUT AT THAT MOMENT FATE TAKES A HAND...THE TRAIN LURCHES, AND THE SPY IS TOSSED OFF BALANCE...

ANOTHER SHARP PUNCH AND THE SPY FALLS TO HIS DOOM!



WELL...THAT'S THE END OF THAT RAT! BUT I'VE GOT A FEELING IT'S NOT THE END OF HIS GANG!



GOOD LUCK, HAZARD...AND WATCH YOUR STEP!

DON'T WORRY, SIR...I'LL MAKE IT!



A WEEK LATER, TEX IS READY TO FLY TO ENGLAND...

FOR THE LUVVA MIKE! HOW ARE YOU, YOU OL' COYOTE?

HEY! WAIT A MINUTE! IT'S ME... NED!



HERE'S SOMETHING TO REMEMBER ME BY, PAL! DON'T OPEN IT UNTIL YOU GET TO ENGLAND!

THANKS, OLD BOY! THAT'S SWELL OF YOU!



BUT AS TEX SHAKES HANDS, HIS EARS CATCH A FAINT SOUND...



WHAT'S IN THIS--AN ALARM CLOCK?...OR MAYBE A BOMB EH, PAL?

QUIT YOUR KIDDING!



OKAY...I'M KIDDIN'! CATCH THIS, THEN!

NO! NO!



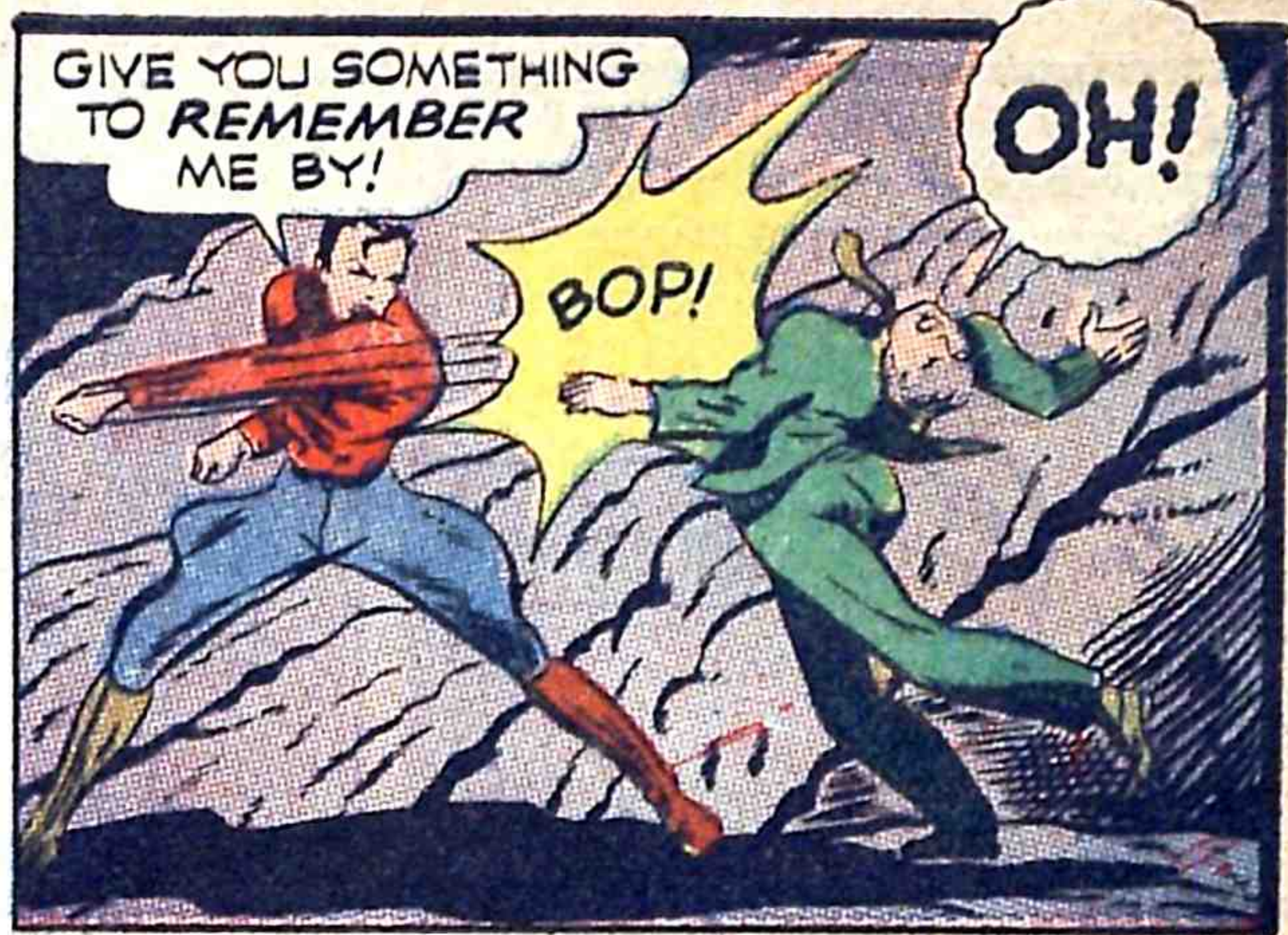
NED DUCKS OUT OF THE WAY, AND...



BUT THE GRIM GESTAPO IS NOT IDLE!



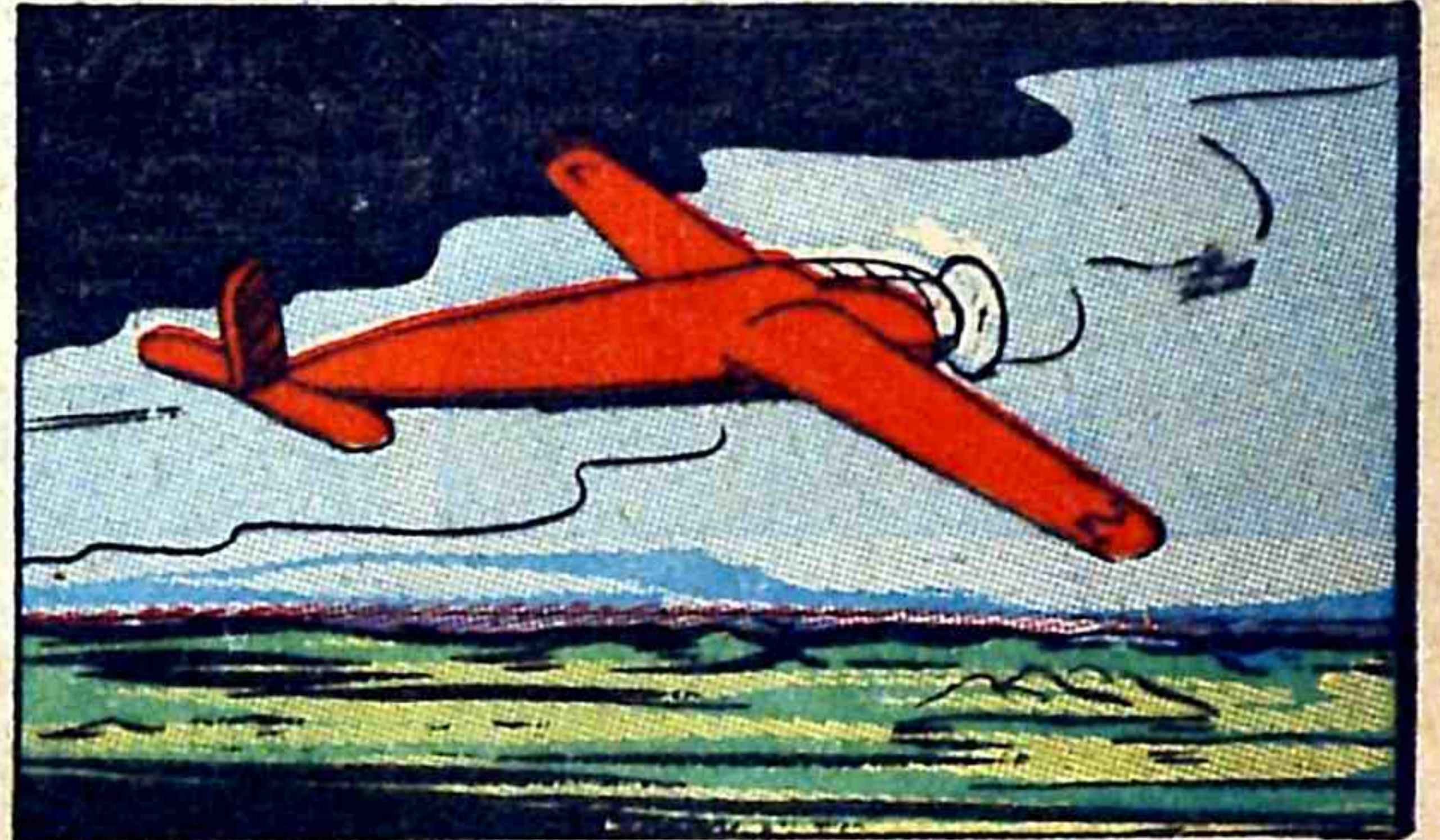
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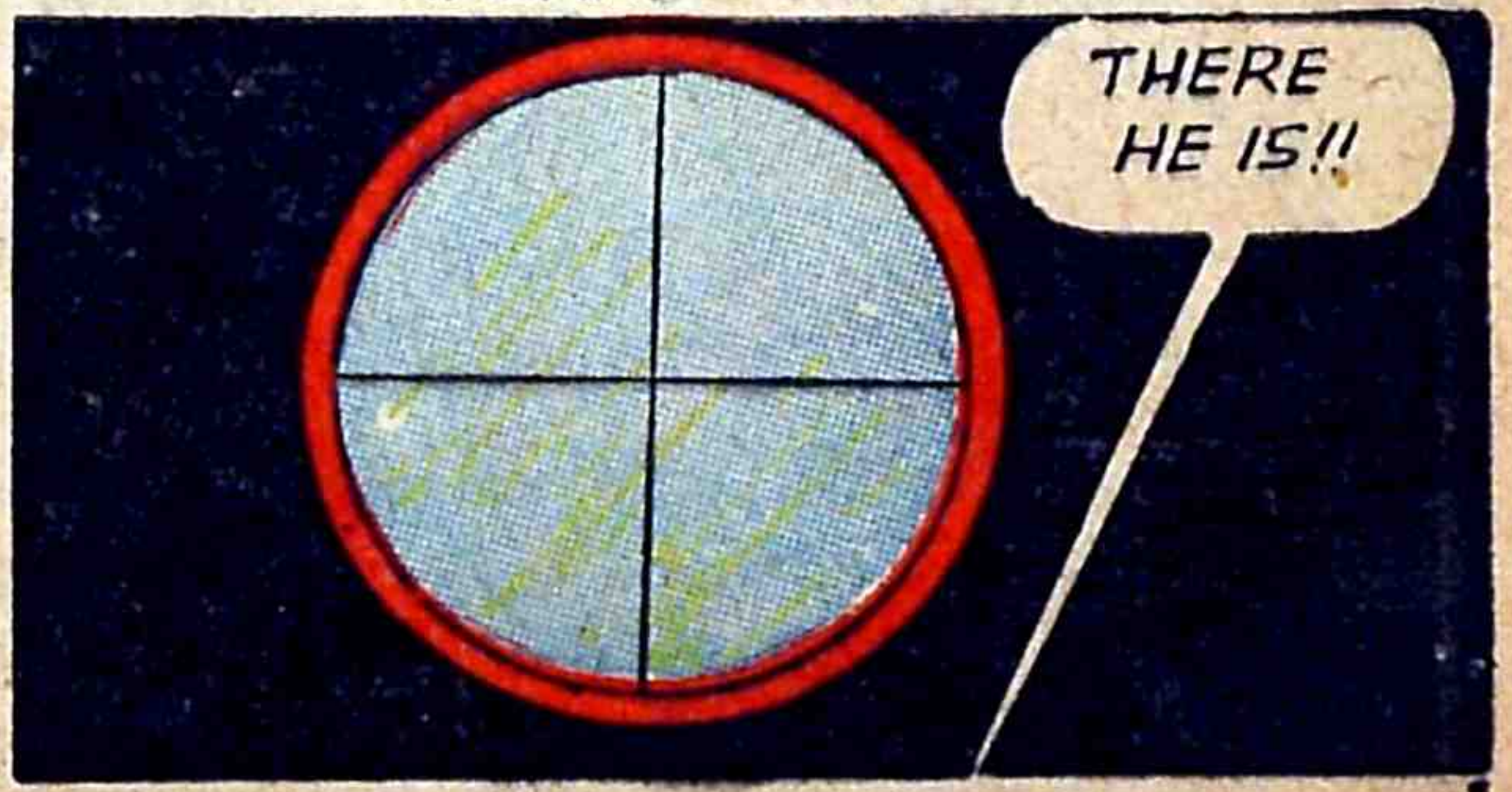
A LITTLE LATER... TEX'S BOMBER ROARS OFF TOWARD THE WAR AREA...



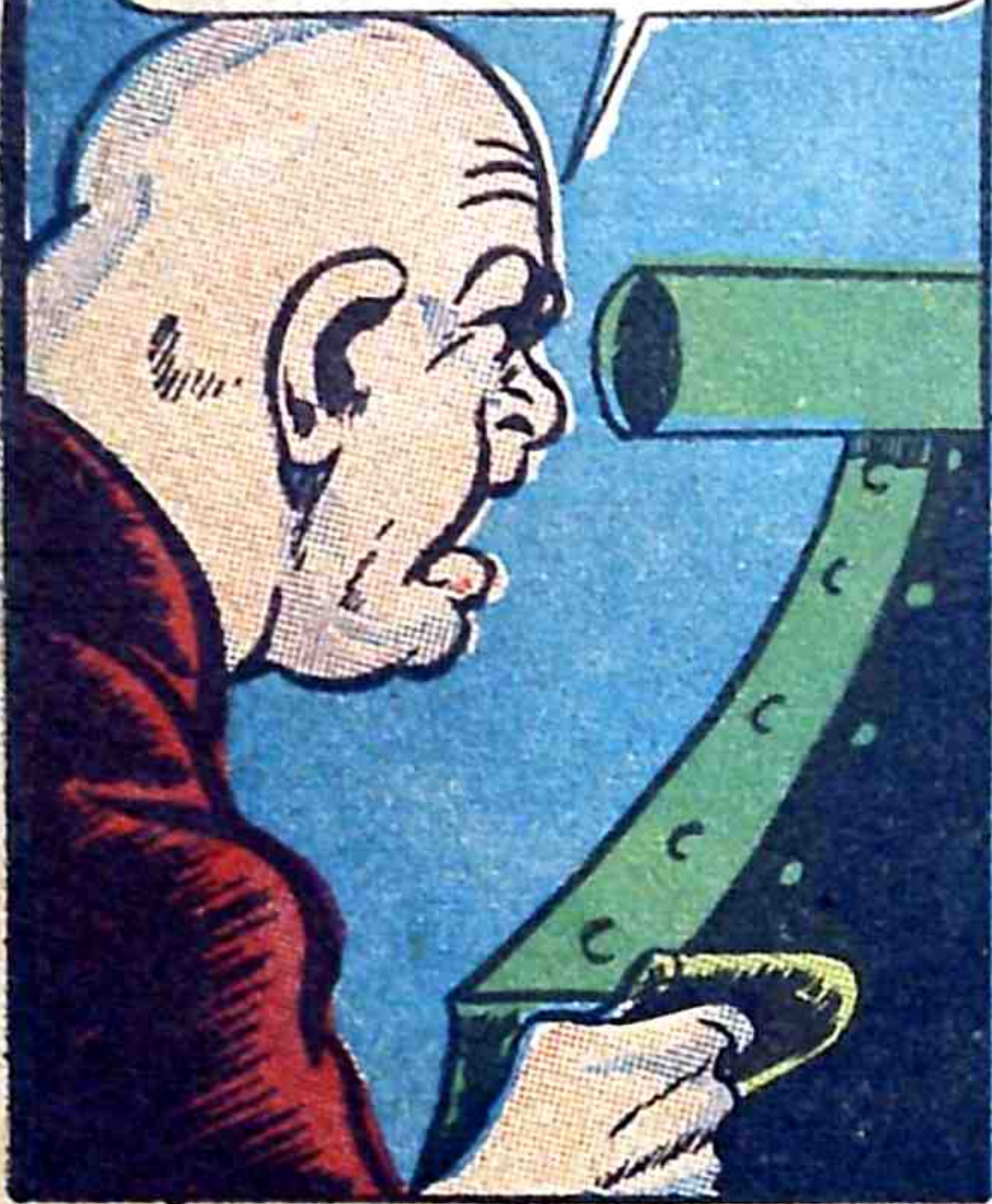
BY PLANE, ERIC BLORB FLIES SWIFTLY TO A SECRET ISLAND IN THE ATLANTIC!



SOON THE TELESCOPIC SIGHT VIEWS A TINY SPECK IN THE SKY-- TEX HAZARD'S BOMBER!



A TINY PRESSURE OF THE FINGER--AND--POUFF!



A DIRECT HIT... AND THE PLANE GOES DOWN!



CHORTLING WITH GLEE, ERIC BLORB GOES OUT TO MAKE SURE TEX IS DEAD!



ONE CAN'T BE TOO SURE ABOUT THESE THINGS!

LOOKING FOR ME?

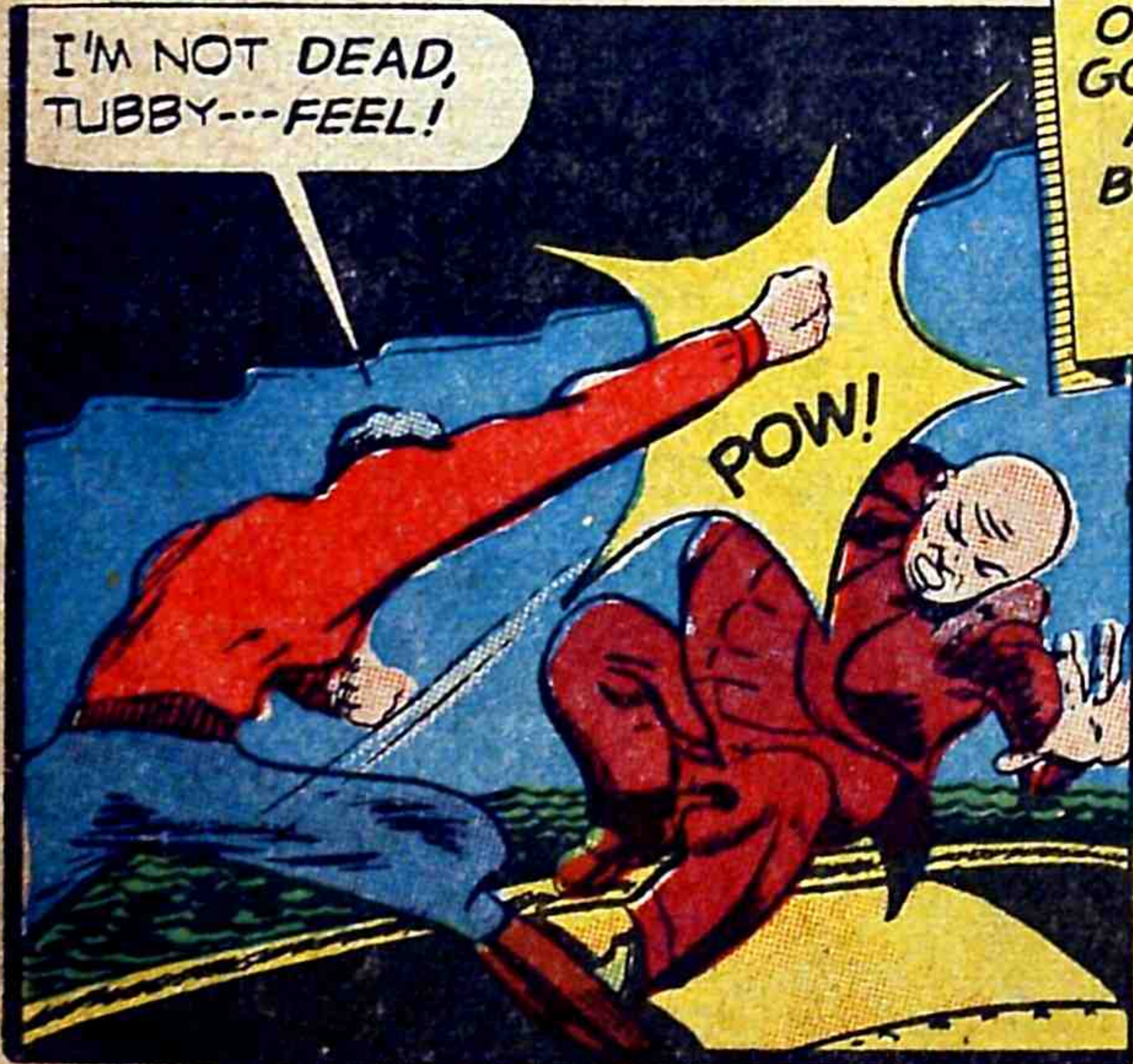
THERE'S THE WRECK... BUT I DON'T SEE HIM! HE MUST HAVE GONE UNDER!



HUH? THE DEAD WALK!



I'M NOT DEAD, TUBBY---FEEL!



OVER THE SIDE GOES ERIC BLORB, AND ONLY A BUBBLE REMAINS AS HIS MONUMENT!



NOW TO GET BACK TO THAT ISLAND AND FIND OUT WHAT'S COOKIN'!!

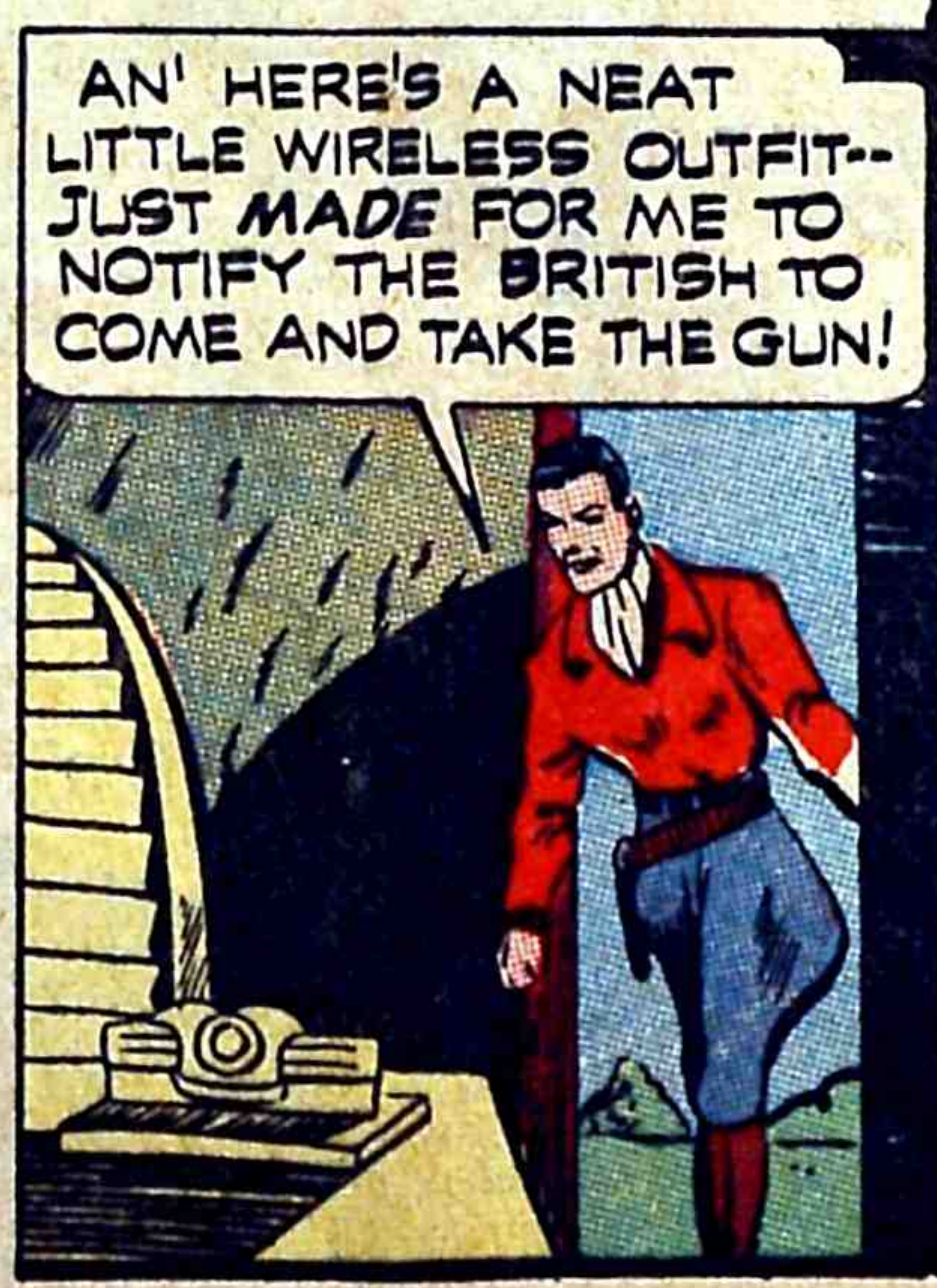




HOW TRUE, MY FRIEND!



NICE LITTLE PLACE THEY'VE GOT HERE! AND LOOK... THE SECRET GUN THEY NAILED ME WITH!



AN' HERE'S A NEAT LITTLE WIRELESS OUTFIT-- JUST MADE FOR ME TO NOTIFY THE BRITISH TO COME AND TAKE THE GUN!

TEX LOST HIS PLANE... BUT HE GOT A FAR GREATER PRIZE... THE SECRET ANTI-AIRCRAFT GUN! BOMBS BURST...AND MEN AND WOMEN BETRAY THE TRUST OF THE ALLIES IN THE NEXT **TEX HAZARD** Adventure... "The SPIDER AND THE SPY!"

SILVER STREAK

AND

METEOR
THE BOY SPEED KING

by
DON RICO

FACTORIES WORK NIGHT AND DAY! ENGINEERS PLAN COUNTLESS DESIGNS FOR NEW ARMAMENTS FOR DEFENSE! THE WHOLE COUNTRY IS ARMING ITSELF AGAINST THE THREAT OF INVASION BY THE

MONSTER OF BERLIN!

BUT AMONG THE MEN WHO WORK ARE THE SCOURGE OF CIVILIZATION...THE FIFTH COLUMNISTS...THE SECRET ARMY OF NAZISM SEEKING TO DESTROY THE DEFENSE PROGRAM!

SUPER-SPEED
ROCKET PLANE

SECRET
PLANS
U.S. ARMY

WASHINGTON, D.C.-- IN THE MEETING-ROOM OF A SUB-COMMITTEE ON DEFENSE...

SO YOU SEE...WE NEED A PLANE...FASTER...SPEEDIER... THAN ANYTHING NOW FLYING! A SUPER-SPEED ROCKET!



YES... AND THERE IS ONLY ONE MAN WHO COULD DESIGN SUCH A SHIP-- THE ONE MAN WHO KNOWS MORE ABOUT SPEED THAN ANY OTHER HUMAN-- SILVER STREAK!



BUT NO ONE KNOWS WHO HE REALLY IS! ALL HE DOES IS GET INVOLVED IN A LOT OF GOOD DEEDS-- AND DISAPPEARS!

WE'LL BROADCAST AN APPEAL TO HIM... HE'S BOUND TO HEAR IT!



AND SO THE NEXT DAY THE NATION'S RADIOS CARRY A MESSAGE...

SILVER STREAK! YOUR COUNTRY NEEDS YOU!



--YOU ARE ASKED TO HELP IN THE DEFENSE PROGRAM! YOUR IDENTITY WILL NOT BE REVEALED IF YOU WISH TO KEEP IT A SECRET! COMMUNICATE AT ONCE WITH SENATOR CLINTON IN WASHINGTON!



SILVER! DID YOU HEAR THAT?

YES, METEOR! WASHINGTON IS OUR NEXT STEP!



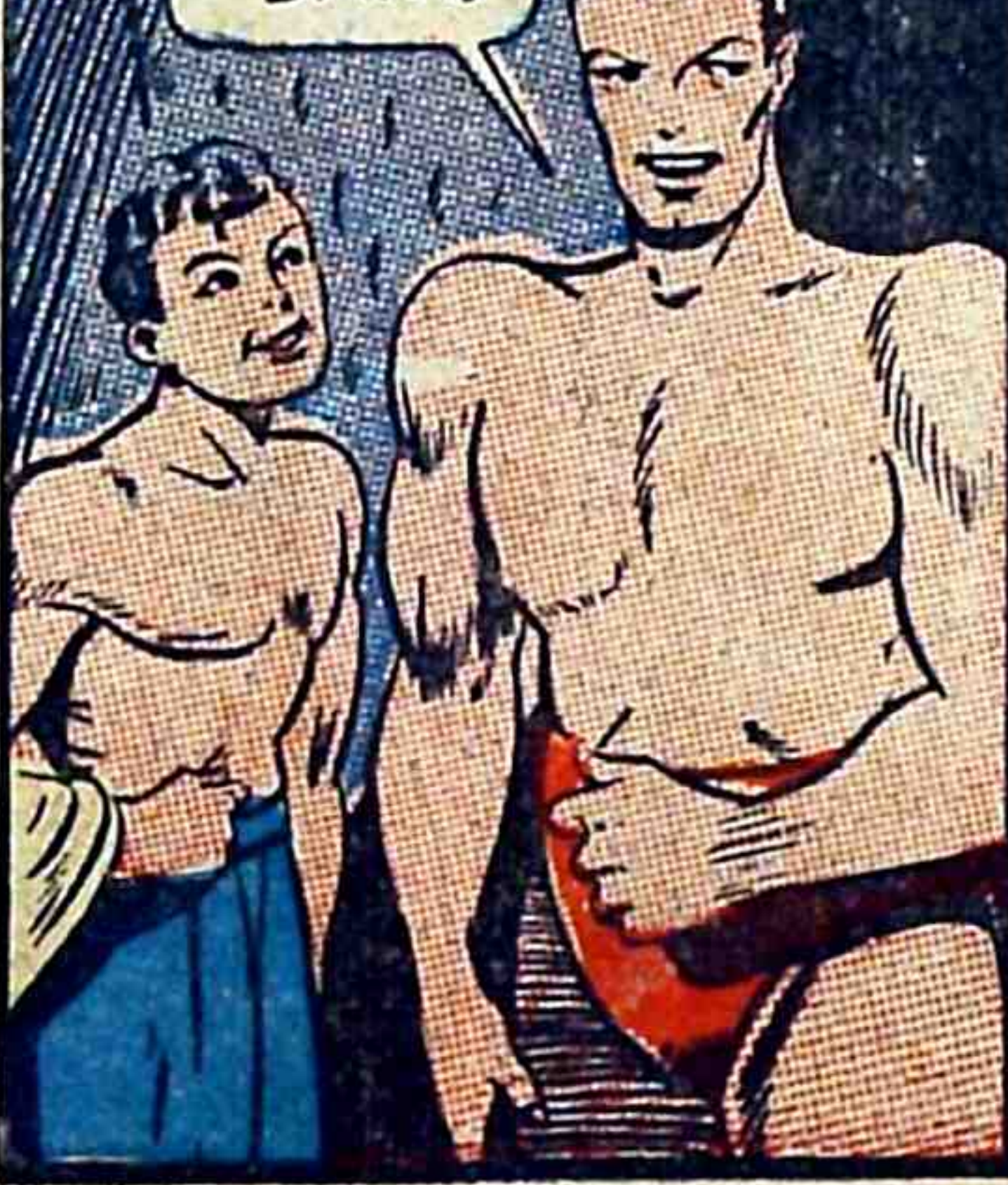
IN SILVER STREAK'S HOME...

IT WILL BE NECESSARY TO CONCEAL OUR FACES... AND SO WE'LL WEAR MASKS FROM NOW ON! WONDER WHAT THEY WANT ME FOR?



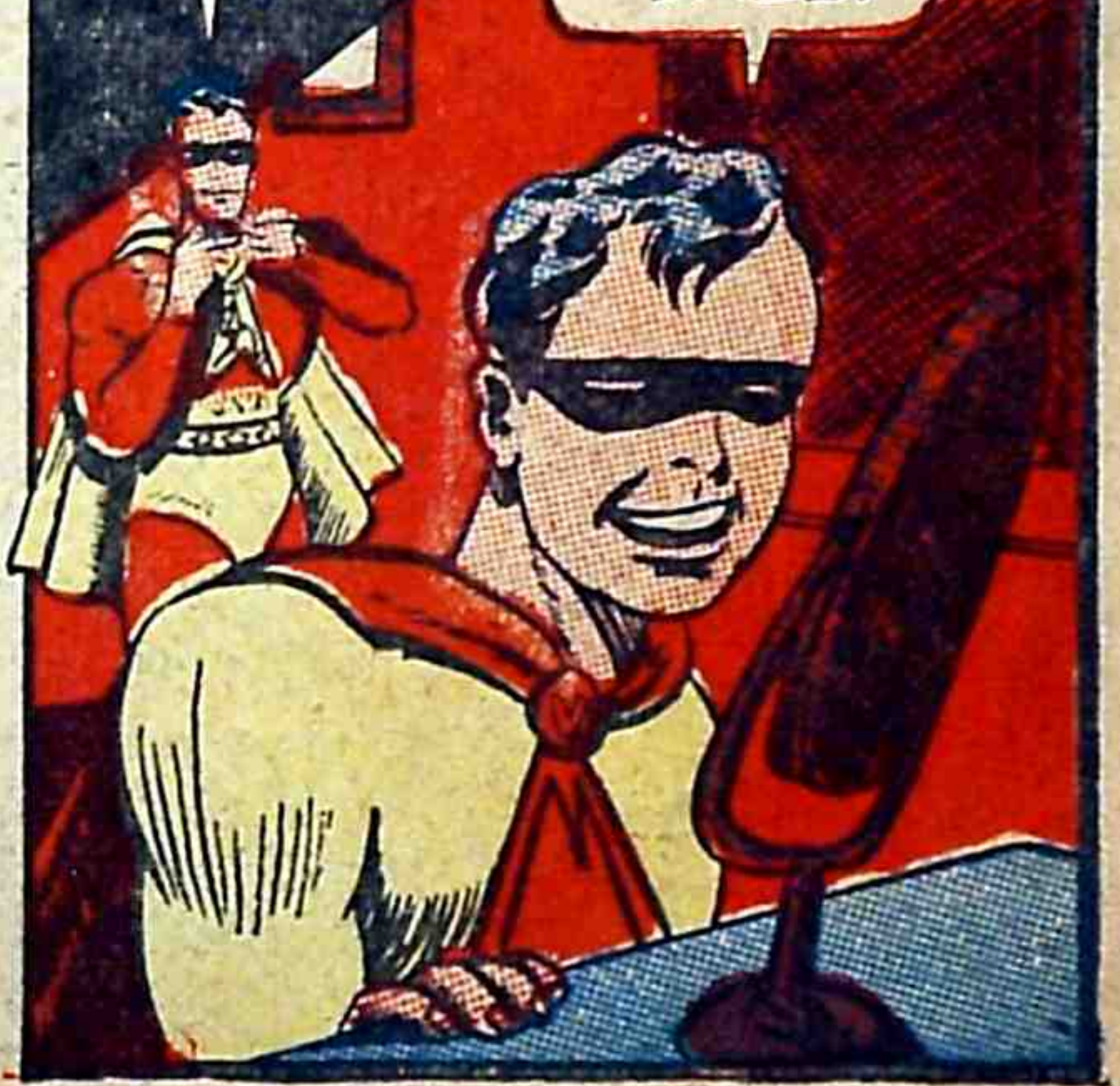
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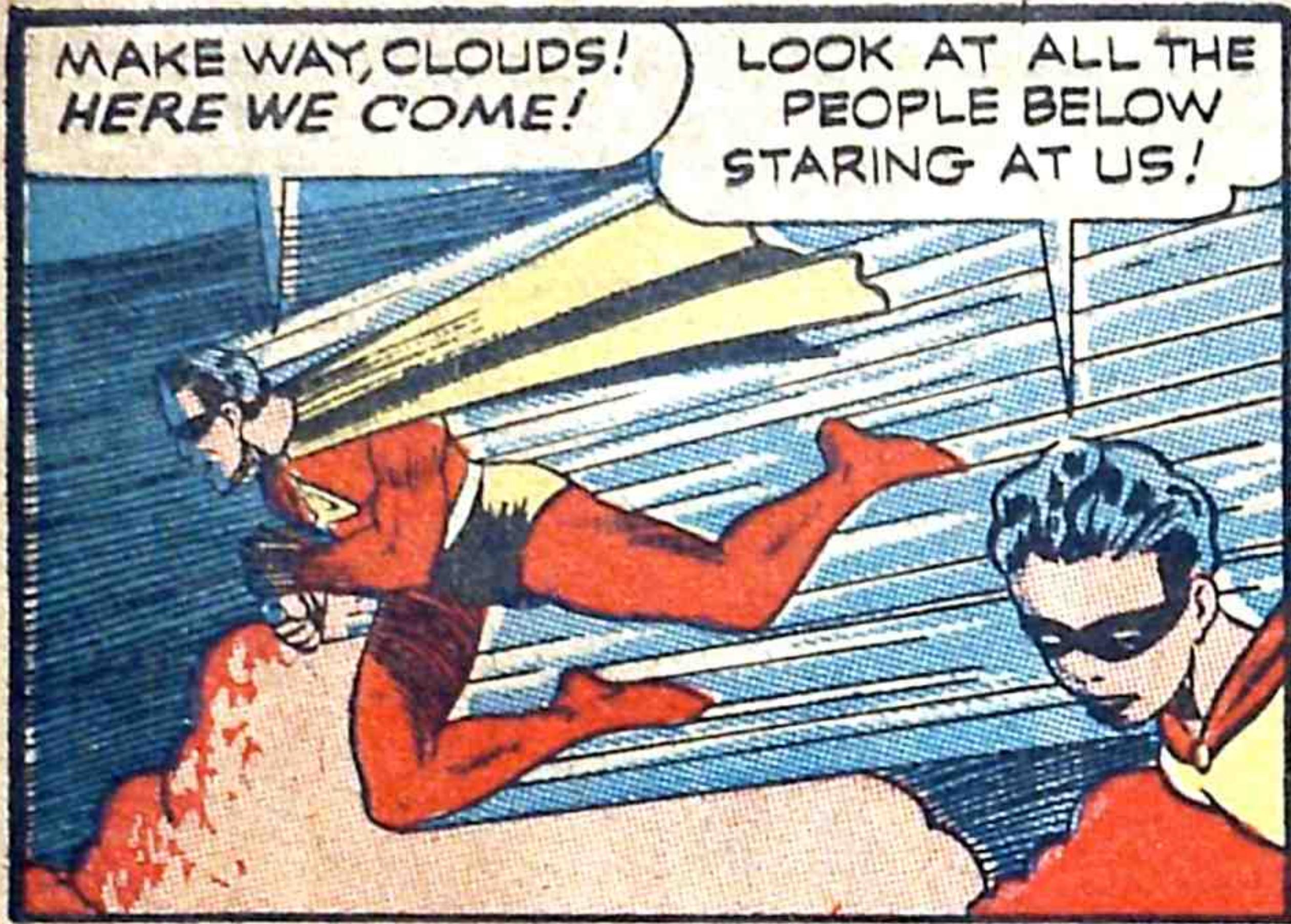
NOTHING'S TOO GOOD FOR UNCLE SAM!



HOW DO YOU LIKE THE MASK, KID?

BOY! I THINK IT'S SWELL! IT'S LIKE GOING TO A MASKED BALL!





MAKE WAY, CLOUDS!
HERE WE COME!

LOOK AT ALL THE
PEOPLE BELOW
STARING AT US!



THERE THEY GO!
THEY'RE ANSWERING
THE GOVERNMENT'S
CALL!

WE'VE GOT TO
PUT A STOP
TO IT!



OUR AGENTS IN THE
CAPITOL TELL ME THEY
WANT THIS STREAK TO
WORK ON A NEW
PLANE!

AH--SO! WE COULD
USE SUCH A
PLANE, EH,
GENTLEMEN?

YEAH!



VERY WELL, THEN! OUR PLAN WILL BE
THIS --- WE SHALL ALLOW *SILVER STREAK*
TO WORK ON THE NEW
PLANE! THEN... AT THE
RIGHT MOMENT, WE WILL
POUNCE AND TAKE THE
WORKING PLANS FOR
OUR OWN COUNTRY!
IT WILL BE A NOBLE
THING TO DO FOR THE
FEUHRER!



GEE! WASH-
INGTON IS A
BEAUTIFUL
PLACE!

TELL
SENATOR
CLINTON
WE'D LIKE TO
SEE HIM! WE'RE...

I KNOW... I
KNOW! YOU
ARE *SILVER
STREAK
METEOR!*

AT THE CAPITOL...



MR. METEOR
GOES TO
WASHINGTON!

SENATOR
CLINTON?

YES! IT'S A
THRILL TO
MEET YOU,
*SILVER
STREAK!*



I'LL GET RIGHT TO THE
POINT! YOU'RE THE WORLD'S
FOREMOST AUTHORITY ON
SPEED! WE NEED YOU TO
HELP US DESIGN THE
FASTEST *ROCKET-PLANE*
IN THE WORLD! WITH IT
OUR DEFENSE WOULD
BE *PERFECT!* THINK
YOU CAN DO IT?



I'VE BEEN WORKING ON PLANS FOR
JUST SUCH A SHIP, SENATOR!
I COULD HAVE THEM FINISH-
ED IN A COUPLE OF DAYS!
I WON'T FAIL YOU!

ME
NEITHER!



THIS WILL BE YOUR OFFICE.. DO YOU LIKE IT?

MM...NICELY FURNISHED, TOO!

YOU BET!



THIS IS YOUR SECRETARY, MISS BRANDT...SHE'S QUITE COMPETENT!

HOW DO YOU DO!



IT WILL BE A GREAT HONOR TO WORK WITH SUCH A FAMOUS PERSON!

THANK YOU! SHALL WE GET TO WORK?



SHE'S A BIT OF A CLASSY NUMBER, EH, PAL?

BE YOUR AGE, SON! I'M VERY BUSY!

LATER...



ON INTO THE NIGHT, SILVER STREAK WORKS ON HIS SECRET PLANS!



I'M THROUGH FOR THE DAY! NOW TO LOCK THESE PLANS IN THE SAFE...



BUT SILVER STREAK HAS AN UNEXPECTED VISITOR!

REACH, BUDDY! ONE FUNNY MOVE AN' YER NAME IS MUD!

SO YOU'RE THE GREAT SILVER STREAK! YOU DON'T LOOK SO HOT TO ME!



PRETTY BRAVE BEHIND A GUN, EH?



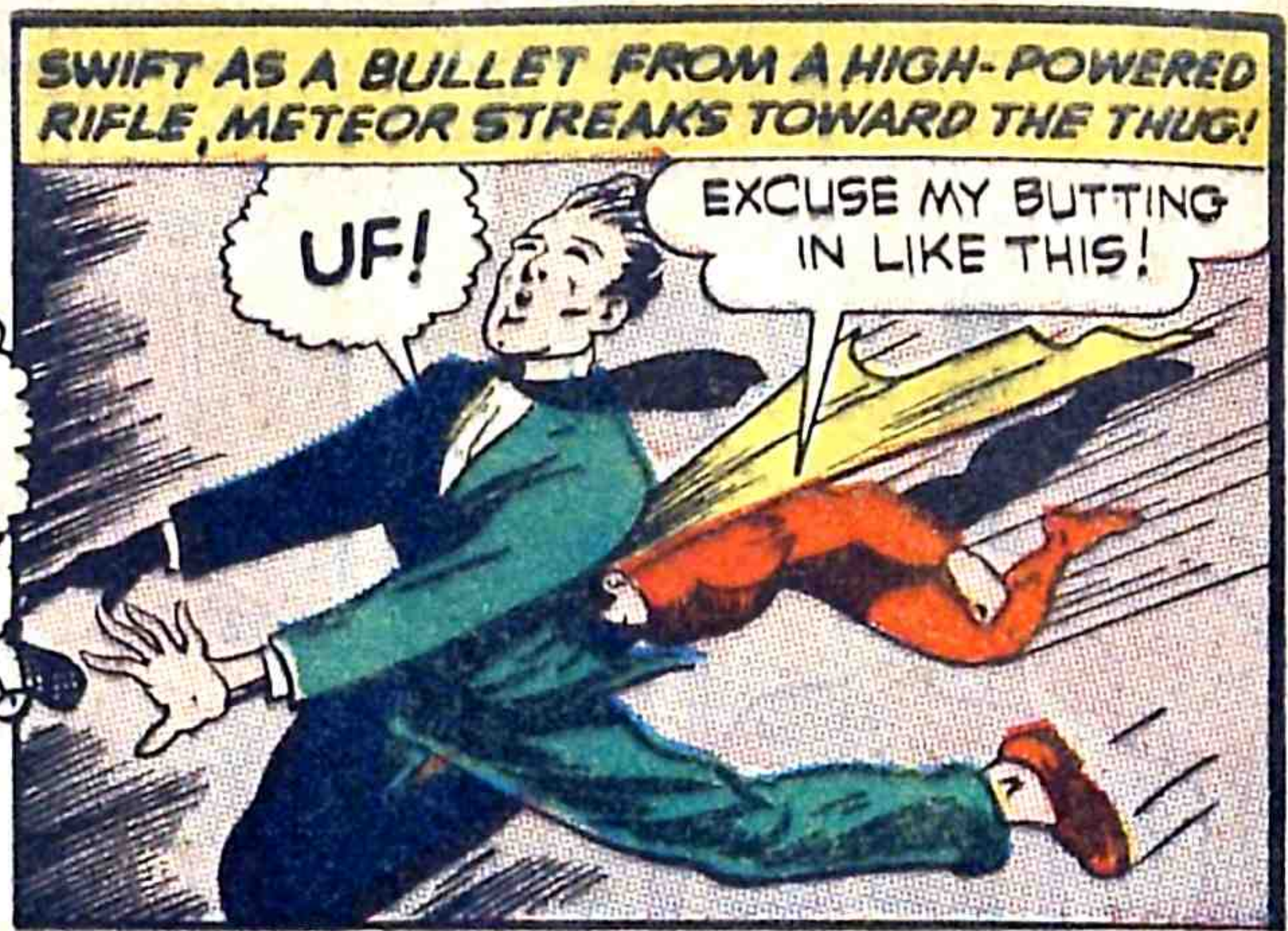
I AIN'T GOT TIME TO CHIT-CHAT WITH YOU, BUD! GET THE PLANS OUT OF THE SAFE!



YOU'LL GET THOSE PLANS OVER MY DEAD BODY!

JUST AS YOU SAY, FANCY PANTS!

OH! OH! IT'S THE CHILDREN'S HOUR!



SWIFT AS A BULLET FROM A HIGH-POWERED RIFLE, METEOR STREAKS TOWARD THE THUG!

UF!

EXCUSE MY BUTTING IN LIKE THIS!



NICE WORK, METEOR! HE HAD ME WORRIED FOR A MINUTE!

IT'S NOT FAIR! THERE ARE TWO OF YOU!

LEMME AT HIM... I'LL TAKE HIM ALONE!



HERE I COME... READY OR NOT!

WAIT TILL I GET MY HANDS ON YOU, YOU SHRIMP!



HOW DO YOU LIKE PLAYING LEAP-FROG!

HEY!



AM I KEEPING YOU UP? I'LL TAKE CARE OF THAT!

SOK!

C'MON, YOU-- TALK! WHO SENT YOU HERE?



HE MAKES AN UGLY DECORATION, EH?

GRUESOME, I'D SAY!



I'M AFRAID I DID TOO GOOD A JOB, SILVER... HE'S OUT COLD!

LATER, AFTER THE THUG HAS BEEN TAKEN TO THE PRISON HOSPITAL...SILVER STREAK AND METEOR GO TO SLEEP...

SO SAMUSH BUNGLED THE JOB...I'LL HAVE TO DO IT MYSELF!



DEFTLY THE HOODED FIGURE STEALS INTO THE ROOM AND SEARCHES SILVER STREAK'S POCKETS!

HERE IT IS...THE COMBINATION TO THE SAFE!



THE NEXT MORNING, WHEN THE ACE OF SPEED MEN RETURNS TO HIS OFFICE...

OH, SIR-- SOMETHING TERRIBLE HAS HAPPENED!

EH? WHAT'S UP?



DURING THE NIGHT THE SAFE WAS ROBBED! THE SPEED-PLANE PLANS WERE TAKEN!



DON'T WORRY, MISS BRANDT! THEY WERE FAKES! I HAVE THE REAL PLANS HIDDEN!

OH! I'M SO GLAD!



THAT EVENING, AS MISS BRANDT LEAVES FOR THE DAY, A SWIFT FIGURE DOGS HER FOOTSTEPS...



SHE GOES UP THE STEPS OF A SHABBY BUILDING...



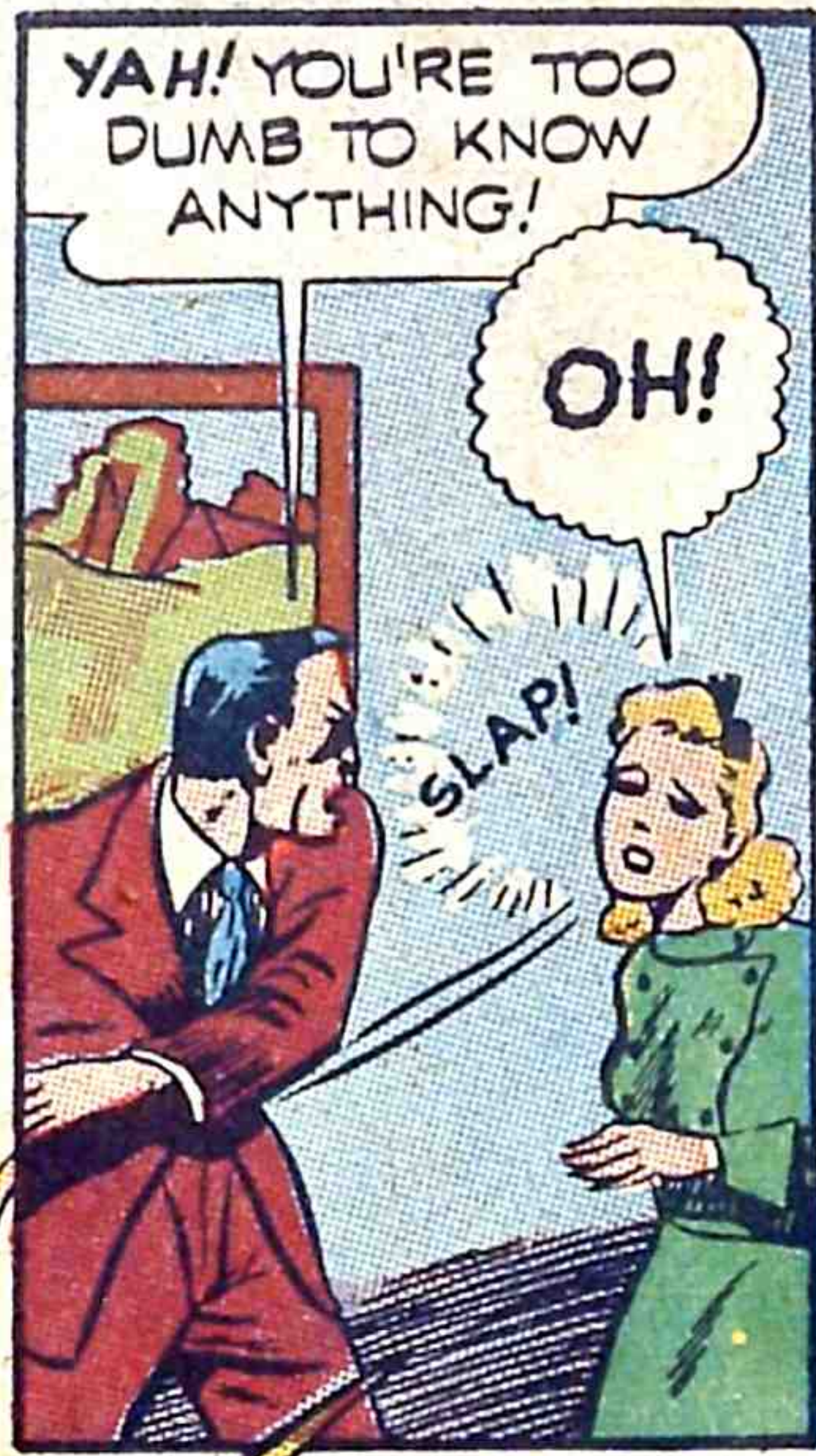
SWIFTLY SILVER STREAK MAKES HIS WAY UP THE SIDE OF THE HOUSE!

I'LL SOON FIND OUT WHAT THAT BABE IS UP TO!



THERE'S MY SWEET-HEART!







C'MON-- YOU AND YOUR BOY FRIEND ARE GOING TO SPEND A COUPLE OF YEARS IN THE HOOSE-GOW!

DON'T PUSH! YOU'RE NO GENTLEMAN!

AND YOU'RE NO LADY!



HEIL HITLER! SILVER STREAK HAS FOILED US ONCE MORE!

VOT? AGAIN?

LATER... IN BERLIN--

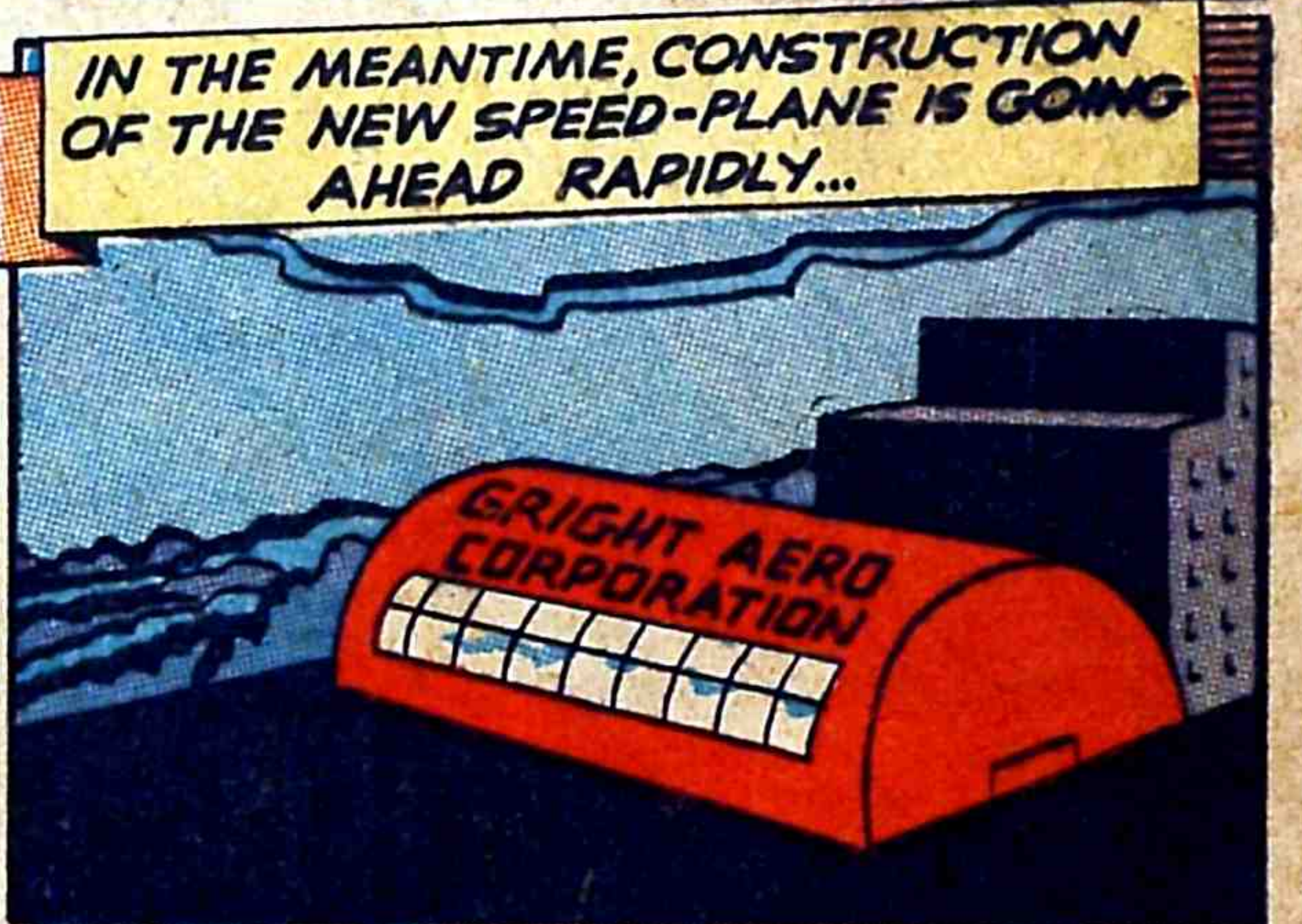


OOOH! THAT MAN! HE WILL BE THE DEATH OF ME--YET! NOTHING I CAN DO CAN TRAP HIM! SOMETIMES I THINK---WHAT'S THE USE OF IT ALL?



BOO... HOO! BOO... HOO... HOO...

THERE... THERE... NOW--

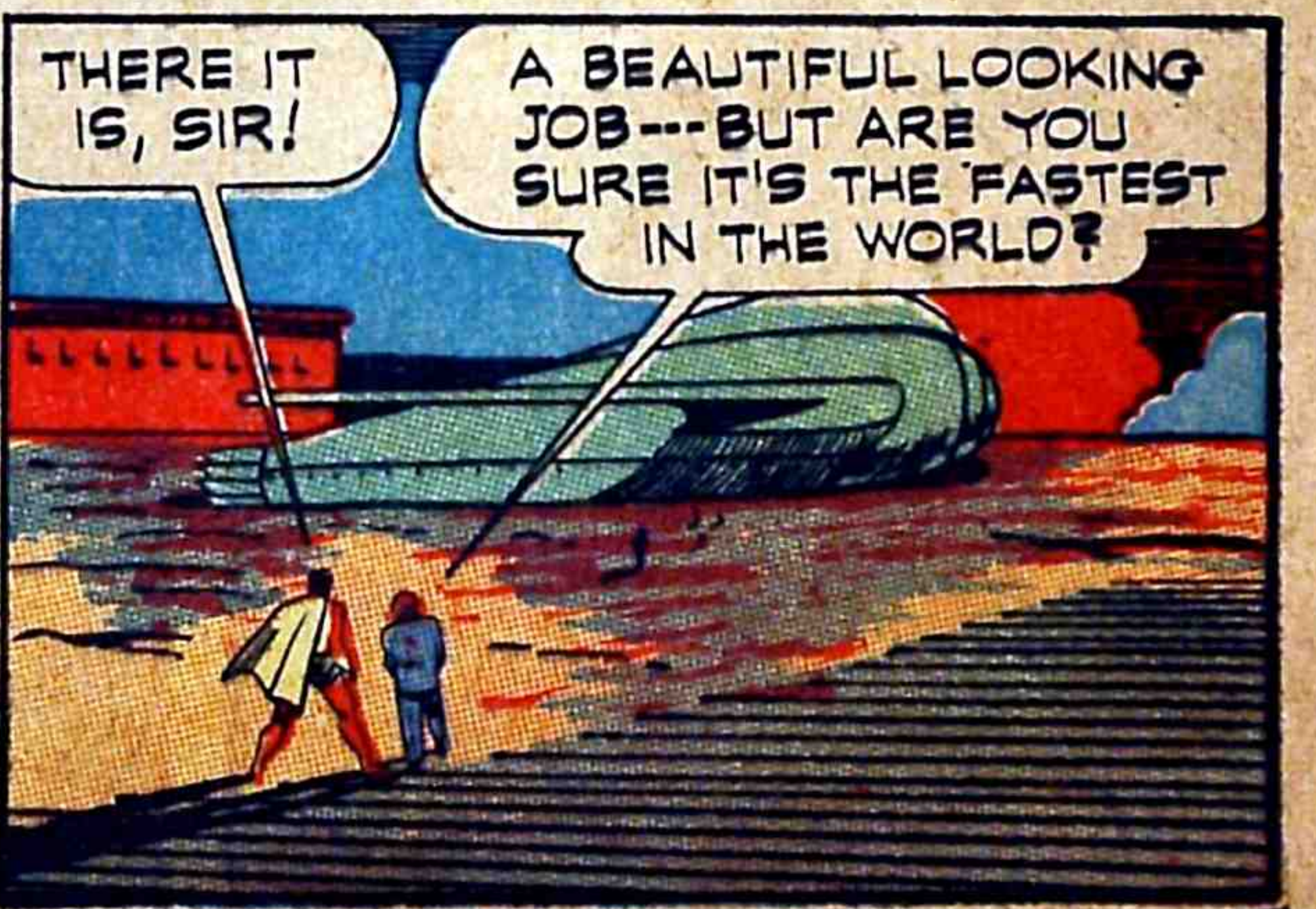


IN THE MEANTIME, CONSTRUCTION OF THE NEW SPEED-PLANE IS GOING AHEAD RAPIDLY...



SENATOR-- THE ROCKET-PLANE IS READY FOR ITS TEST FLIGHT!

BOY, YOU SURE WORK FAST!



THERE IT IS, SIR!

A BEAUTIFUL LOOKING JOB--- BUT ARE YOU SURE IT'S THE FASTEST IN THE WORLD?

METEOR IS GOING TO FLY HER--I'LL RACE HER...THEN YOU'LL SEE WHICH IS THE **FASTEST!**

C'MON, BABY! LET 'ER RIP!!

UP SOARS THE ROCKET-PLANE LIKE A SHINING SILVER ARROW...AND SOON THE FASTEST MAN IN THE WORLD IS LEFT BEHIND!

YIPPEE!! SHE'S BEATEN SILVER STREAK! SHE IS THE FASTEST PLANE IN THE WORLD!

THE STRANGE RACE BEGINS...MAN AGAINST MACHINE!

THIS IS ONE RACE I'M HAPPY TO LOSE!

LATER..

CONGRATULATIONS TO BOTH OF YOU! WITH THAT PLANE WE'LL GIVE ANY INVADER A RUN FOR HIS MONEY!

YOU BET!

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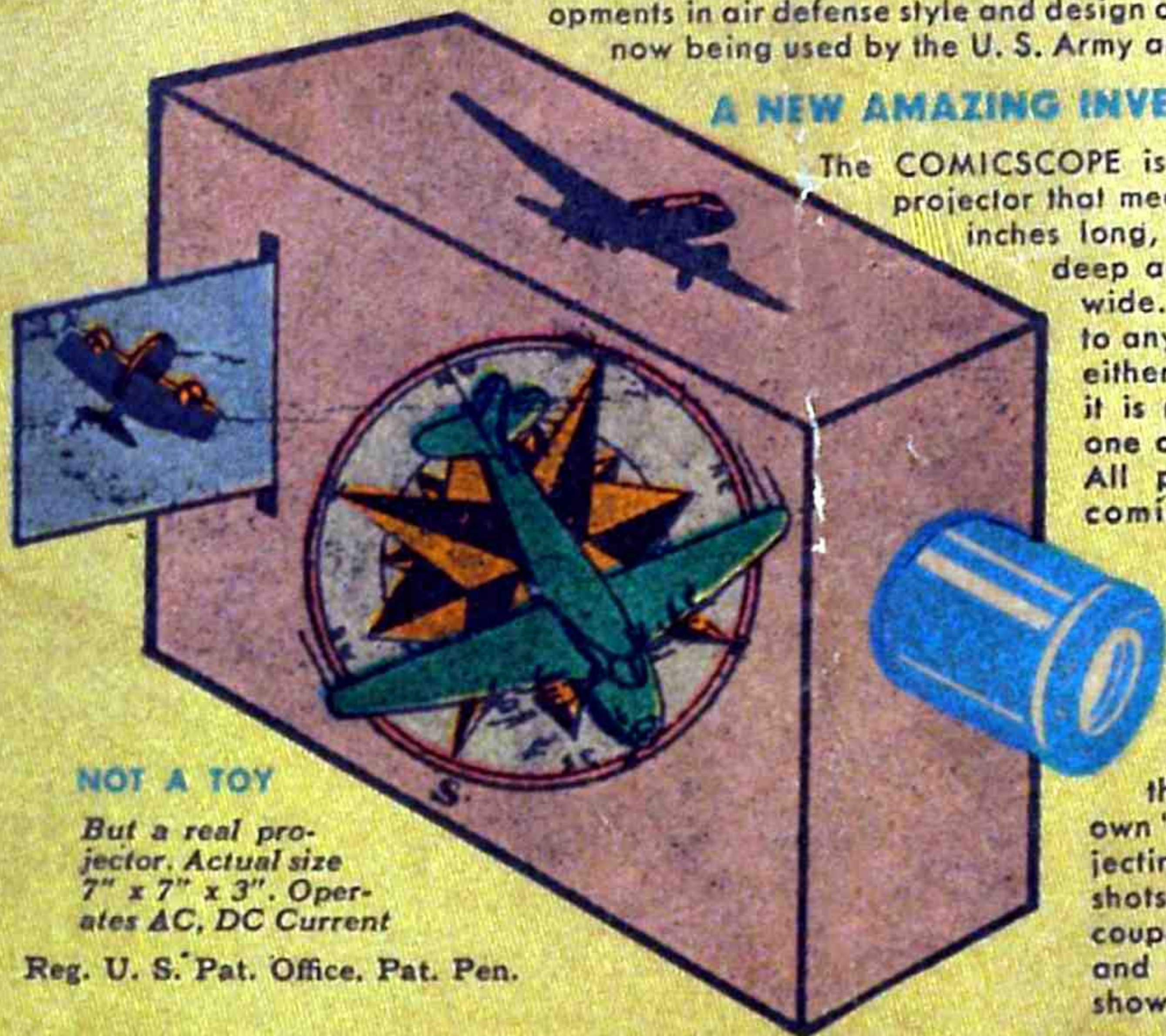
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WHAT'S THE TROUBLE, PENNY? OLD SARGE GOT YOUR GOAT?

AW THAT OLD GRIZZLY BEAR! HE WOULDN'T BE SO TOUGH IF HE MADE ONLY TWENTY ONE BUCKS A MONTH AND HAD MY BEARD!

THASSO? LISTEN, SOLDIER, IT'S TIME YOU LEARNED HOW TO HANDLE YOUR DOUGH!

GOSH, SARGE, ON TWENTY ONE BUCKS A MONTH I CAN'T BUY RAZOR BLADES AND MOVIE TICKETS TOO!

IS THAT ALL THAT'S TROUBLING YOU?

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LATER.....

PENNY, YOU LOOK AS CLEAN SHAVEN AS A NEW BORN BABE!

I THOUGHT WE COULDN'T GO TO A MOVIE TONIGHT!

THANKS, JUNE! LET'S TAKE IN A MOVIE!

WE'LL SEE ALL THE PICTURES NOW, SWEET! I'VE FOUND A WAY!

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